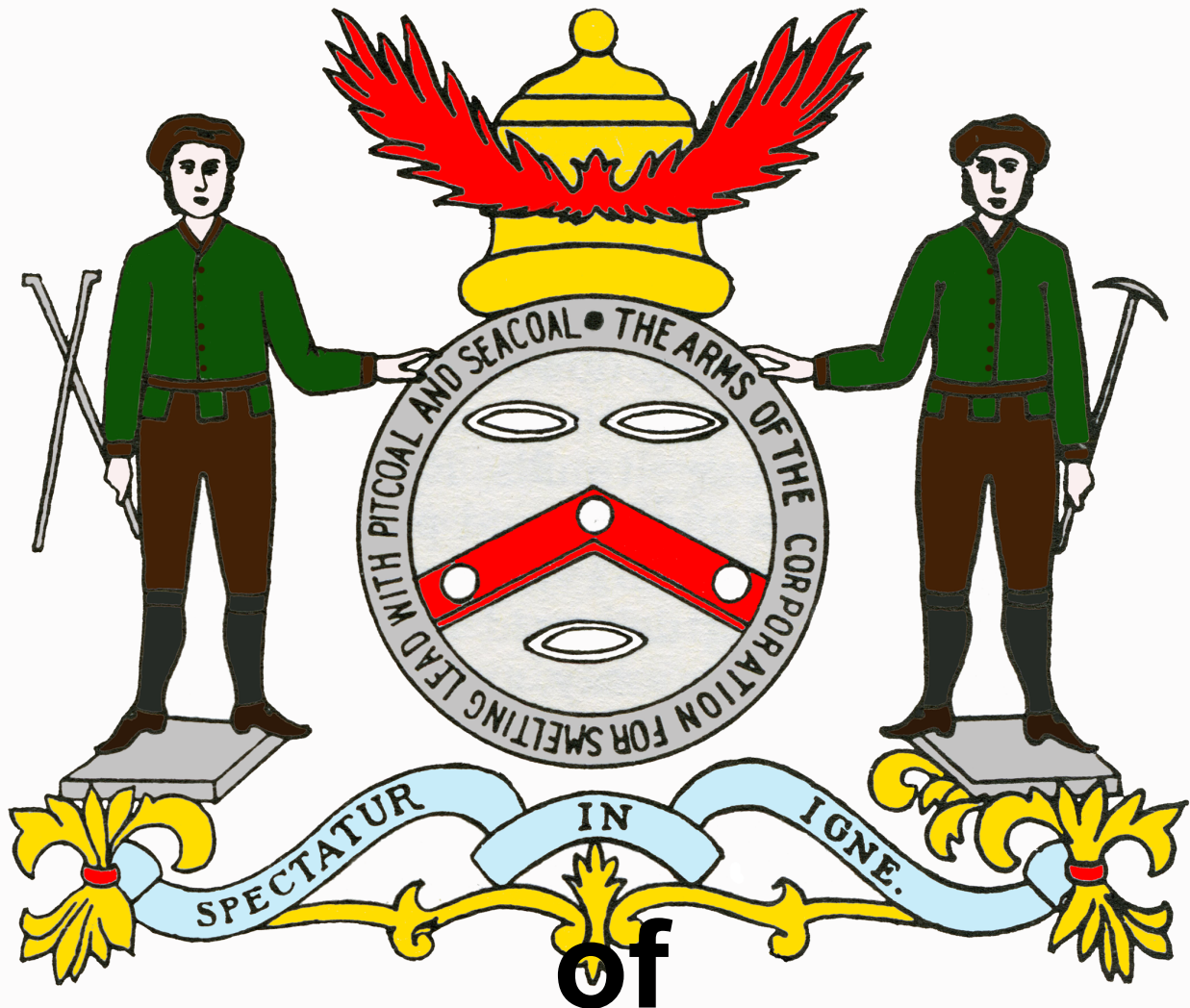


Extracts From The Minute Books



The London Lead Company

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The Court Minutes of the Governor and Company for the Smelting down of Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal

The following document is information gathered from the Court Minute Books of The Governor and Company for the Smelting down of Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal, it is NOT a verbatim transcript. The Court minute books begin on the 13th October 1692 and end 21st November 1899, these are numbered 1 to 37.

Book 2 of the series contains the minutes of the “Royal Mines Copper” this Company was incorporated into the Governor and Company in 1704.

There are also two half yearly minute books of the General Court, these start on the 25th May 1731 and end 30th March 1869, and are numbered 38 and 39.

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Previous to the 1st January 1752 the New Year began on Ladyday, 25th March, for ease of understanding the dates given in the following text are all written using the modern system of taking the beginning of the year as the 1st January. Text written in *italics* is additional information to that found in the minutes.

The units of measures used are a mixture of the Avoirdupois, and Troy systems. Silver was measured using the Troy system and lead measured using the Avoirdupois system.

Avoirdupois System

16 ounces (oz)	=	1 pound (lb)
14 pounds	=	1 stone (st)
2 stones	=	1 quarter (qtr)
4 quarters	=	1 hundredweight (cwt)
20 hundredweight	=	1 ton (tun)

Troy System

24 grains (gr)	=	1 pennyweight (pw <i>or</i> dwt)
20 pennyweight	=	1 ounce (oz)
12 ounces	=	1 pound (lb)

Measures used in the Lead Industry

1 bing	=	8 hundredweights
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A fother or fodder is a cart load, a unit of weight varying between 22½ cwt and 19½ cwt of lead, depending on location. The information below is given in the Lead Company Minutes volume 3.

	Pounds in a Hundredweight	Hundreds in a Fother	Pounds in a Fother
London	112	19½	2184
Newcastle	112	21	2352
Hull	120	19½	2340
York	128½	19½	2505½
Stockton	112	22	2464
Bautry	112	21½	2400

In these notes silver is referred to as either fine or standard, standard silver is that which is classed as sterling standard having 925 parts per thousand pure silver, fine silver has more than 925 parts of pure silver to a thousand.

The price obtained for this silver is expressed in the following form:

5/2½ oz. meaning five shillings two and a half penny's for each ounce of silver etc.

Old Money

2 farthings	=	1 halfpenny
2 halfpence	=	1 penny (1d)
12 pence	=	1 shilling (1s)
2 shillings	=	1 florin (2s)
5 shillings	=	1 Crown (5s)
20 shillings	=	1 pound (<i>l</i>) or (£)
1 guinea	=	one pound and one shilling

**David McAnelly
October 2014**

Minute Books

Thursday the 13th October 1692 LLC 1

In The Name of Almighty god Amen
London Thursday the 13th October 1692
Att the halfe moone Taverne in Cheapside.

Present

Richard Owen Esq.	George Moore
Francis Baker Esq.	Thomas Addison Esq.
George Clerke Esq.	Constantine Vernatti Esq.
John Franke	John Moore
Richard Adams	John Henley
Sir. Henry Marwood	Francis Parry Esq.
William Moore	Thomas Renda
Thomas Nix	Joseph Gaithwaite
Richard Webster	William Maismore
William Perris	

Their Majesties Charter for Incorporating the Governor and Compa. for smelting down of Lead with Pittcoale and Seacoale dated the 4th of this Instant October In the 4th year of their Reign: was this day read and Thankfully accepted by the above Gentlemen.

AND/ That each pson may be capable to receive the benefit of said Letters Pattents Of Incorporating the above Gentlemen agreed that the following oath shall be taken by each Member In the words following:

Viz^t.

I: A: B: do sincerely Promise and Swear that I will be faithful to the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pittcoale and Seacoale, the secrets of the said Company that shall be given me in charge to conceal I will not disclose and during the Joint stock of the said Company I will not directly or indirectly by my self nor by or with any other Person or Company carry on or contribute towards the carrying on the Smelting down of Lead with Pittcoale and Seacoale to the Prejudice of the Company within the limits of their Charter So help me God.

AND/ Then the Gentlemen above named desired Richard Owen Esq. (nominated in the Charter to be the Present Governor) that he would please this night take the oaths directed by the Charter with the foregoing oath before the Present Lord Mayor and that they would meet him at this place tomorrow morning att nine of the clock to receive said oaths from him that being qualified according as directed In said Letters Pattents they might proceed to the management of the Companys affairs &c.

Memorandum that 10 of the Clock att night Richard Owen Esq. Took ye oaths as appointed by ye Charter; and another agreed to by this Compa. & being so qualified commenced Govr. of this Corporation.

Friday the 14th October 1692 nine in the morning LLC 1

Present

Richard Owen Esq. Governor

Mr. George Moore Deputy Governor, Thomas Addison Esq. and George Clerke Esq. were all sworn this day by the Governor and admitted Members of the Company and of the Court of Assistants

No more members appearing and being past the twelve of the clock the Gentlemen present do direct that the Court of Assistants be desired to meet on Tuesday next att foure of the clocke in the afternoon precisely

And then.

The Governor, Deputy Governor and others went to see the apartments at Sadlers Hall designed to be lett and being adjudged by them very convenient for an office itt was desired that Mr. Moore and Mr. Renda doe discourse about said apartments and acquaint the Gentlemen concerned att their next meeting on what terms it may be obtained on which they will come to a further resolution

Tuesday the 18th October 1692 att 4 in the afternoon LLC 1

The board have agreed to the foll Preamble which is hereby ordered to be writt faire and enterd Into the Companys Transfer Booke for all the Members to subscribe the Preamble being in the words foll; vizt.

At a Court of Assistants of the Governor and Company for smelting down of Lead with Pittcoale and Seacoale &c

Held this 18th day of October in the 4th year of the Reigne of King William and Queen Mary over England &c., Anoqr Domini 1692

It is agreed that all and each the Members doe Subscribe the following Preamble

Whereas their most Sacred Majesties have been graciously pleased by their Royall Charter (under the great seale of England) bearing date the fourth day of this Instant October to Constitute and establish the Company for smelting down of Lead with Pittcoale and Sea-coale, and to grant severall Privileges and appoint certain Rules to direct the ordering of the said Company and the better management of their Stocke and Affaires.

Now in conformity to their majesties said charter whose names are hereunto subscribed being members of the said Company for Smelting down of lead with Pittcoale and Seacoale (the stock whereof is equally divided into one thousand shares) do mutually consent and agree.

1st. That noe person shall be capable of being chosen a member of the Court of Assistants or be admitted to sitt, or act any longer as such to manage the affairs of this stock, that hath not (or shall not have) tenn shares in the Joynt stock of the said Company.

2nd. That a valuation of all remaynes of stocke undivided; be once in two years made by the Court of Assistants; between the 24th day of June and the twenty ninth day of September.

3rd. That If att any time during the continuance of this stocke, itt shall duely appear that any of us shall use or exercise the trade or mistery of smelting down purifying and refining lead oare with Pittcoale and Seacoale as shall be directly, or indirectly aiding or assisting, to any other person or persons; soe trading or acting contrary to this our intention; he or they shall wholly loose & forfeit all their stocke or interest; and the same shall go to the use of the

members in general, or pay such sume of monys as the Court of Assistants shall appoint for the same att the Election of the said Court.

4th. That the stocks and dividends of each respective Member shall be obliged for all debts and ingagements as such respective member shall become indebted or liable to the Company or that by majority of votes in a General Court shall be agreed to be raised on each Members shares and that the court of Assistants may or shall detain the same for the benifitt of ye generality until such debts and ingagements are fully paid and satisfied.

5th That noe person shall be admitted to accept of any share or shares in the Transfer booke of this Company or be admitted a member thereof until he hath taken the oaths of Allegiance appointed by Act of Parliament (as directed by the Charter) and an oath of Fidelity to the Company.

6th. That each member that shall be admitted into the Company after the 1st day of November next insueing shall pay one Guinea for the use of the Company upon his admittance.

7th. That an allowance after the rate of Two hundred Pounds per Annum be paid the Governor and Court of Assistants (and sub-comities by them appointed) to be distributed accordingly to their respective appearances as the said Court of Assistants shall thinke fitt.

Constantine Vernatti, John Henley, John Frank, Mr. Richard Adams, John Moore, Talbot Clerk, Francis Baker and Thomas Renda were all sworn in.

Richard Richards Sworne Secretary to the Company takeing the oaths appoynted.

The board proceeded to the choice of a Treasurer and after some debate thereon itt was nemini conradicente (*unanimously*).

Agreed,

That Mr Richard Adams be and is hereby constituted the company's Treasurer till xmass next till some other be chosen in his room; which offices Mr Adams was pleased to accept of.

Mr John Fearnhed Sworne messenger to the company by taking the oaths appointed.

The Articles of agreement made between Talbot Clerke Esq and the subscribers before this Company's Incorporation being read att the board itt fell under consideration; as allsoe what sum of monys should be att present raised on each share and after a long and serious debate Itt was referred to, to morrow in the afternoone.

Wednesday the 19th October 1692 att 4 in the afternoon LLC 1

Mr Mathias Cupper & Mr Thomas Nix were sworne as members of the Court of Assistants and took their place at the board.

Agreed that the present stock of this Company now divided into one thousand shares as agreed to by ye preamble shall be and is att £18 per share to the payment where of each subscribers

shares shall be obliged, butt for the present itt is agreed to pay in but 40s per share and it is therefore.

Ordered That each member before he subscribes shall pay to the Company treasurer 40/- for every share in part of £18 per share. Butt in case any person or persons shall dispose or transfer any or all of his shares, then it is hereby further.

Ordered That every member that transfers any share or shares shall first pay into the Company treasurer the sum of sixteen pounds per share, or so much as shall remain unpaid of the eighteen pounds per share at the time of transfer for every share he shall so transfer which money so paid shall be made him good in the Company books to be as is part of their joynt stock.

This board being acquainted that there were neere Bristol some very convenient lead workes all ready built fitt for the immediate smelting downe of lead with all things proper and belonging there unto and that they were in the possession of Talbot Clerke Esq. (on whose art in the smelting downe of lead with pittcoale and seacoale, this Company's patents of incorporation is grounded and who hath subscribed and is interested for himself and friends 500 shares) doe therefore resolve to buy and purchase the said works and having treated with the said Talbott Clerke Esq. doe this day agree.

That for all his rights title and interest in and to the said works with all the utensils thereunto belonging and allow in consideration of his art and mystery of smelting down lead with pittcoale and seacoale and the assignments of several contracts he hath made with Thomas Summers, John Dunston or any others his servants imployed and instructed in the said art. This Company do agree to pay him the sum of nine thousand pounds in full for said works and art by giving him credit for the said nine thousand pounds in ye Company's books which credit this day agreed to accept of in full satisfaction.

That Mr Richard Adams be pleased to prepare a draught for a common seale soe soone as can with convenience, on which the comp will come to some resolution.

The Dep Governor and Mr Renda acquainting the board with what progress they had made in the treating with the Saddlers company for part of their hall for an office for which had proffered £25 p Annum.

Ordered. That said Mr Moore Mr Renda and Mr Franke be desired to agree for said apartment on the best terms they can which this board will approve of.

Ordered. That the preamble be entered faire into the transfer booke and any person already sworne be admitted to subscribe on his producing a receipt from the Compy Treasurer of his having paid 40s per share for every share he may soe subscribe for.

Ordered. That at every meeting of this board noe member shall depart the Court without leave on the forfeiture of his appearance money and that each member that comes not within an houre after the time mentioned in his summons shall pay one shilling to the poores box, and if comes not within an hour after summoned shall loose all his appearance; and that every Thursday be appointed for a Court of Assistants; and these orders be observed after the company are settled in their office &c.

Sir Henry Marwood and Francis Parry Esq sworne members & Assistants.

Tuesday 25th October 1692 att 4 in the afternoon LLC 1

Mr Henry Austin Mr William Moore Mr John Barkstead sworne members and Assistants.

Ordered. That every person that pays not in his share by the 1st November next shall pay & forfeit one Guinea. memorandum in the Treasurers servants name is Benjamin Granger by whom will come receipts signed.

Mr Renda and Franke acquainted the board that had agreed for the apartment in Saddlers Hall for an office for the company to pay £30 a year for 7 years certain to commence at xmass and to have there refusal of 10 years' longer giving 6 months notice before the expiration of the 7 years and that gave a guinea to the poor's box as usual to all which the company do agree and it is,

Ordered. That Richard Richards receive the Key and that Mr Thomas Nix does assist said Richards in fitting up the house with all convenient speed with tables and chairs and other necessary's &c.

A Devise for a sealed was laid before the board and fell under consideration and putt to the vote if the sealed be in a scutcheon or not, and by majority of votes to be in a scutcheon with a motto around it, viz' the Corporation for Smelting Lead with pittcoale and Seacoale; which Mr Adams is desired to get made in steal.

The company having under consideration the employing of their stock and setting the furnaces at work which they have agreed for with Talbot Clerke Esq, in the interim that this board be better settled it is.

Ordered. That Talbot Clerke Esq please to write to Mr Peter Saunders of Bristol or any else for the buying up of ore and employing the works & to draw his bills on ye company not exceeding £200 for the present.

Mr Rendas account of charges in obtaining the Charter and what paid at Sadlers Hall was given to the board Importing £200 19s 8d and more

£1 1s 8d paid att Saddlers Hall

£202 1s 4d which the

Company allow him and order £20 more to be given him for his pain's the whole Importing £222 1s 4d which the Treasurer is hereby ordered to pay and allow him on account of his subscriptions, and then it was.

Ordered. That the treasurer pay no money but by a warrant under the hand of the Governour; or Deputy Governour and four more Assistants; and warrant accordingly was signed by the Governour and four more Assistants for £222 1s 4d favour of Mr Renda.

Tuesday the 1st November 1692 att 4 in the afternoon LLC 1

Ordered.

That all Transfers and acceptances be made in the words following viz'

I: A: B: of London _____ doe sell assigne & transferr unto C:D: of London ____: shares of my credit in the General Joynt Stocke of the Governour, Company for Smelting of Lead with Pittcoale and Seacoale with all present and future proceeds witness my hand

_____A: B:_____

Signed in the presence of. R:R.

I doe accept of the foregoing ____ shares on the conditions expressed in the preamble dated the 18th day of October 1692 and oblige my self to the true performance thereof

____ C:D____
Signed in the presence of R:R

Talbot Clerke Esq laid before the board a copy of the Letter he wrote to Mr Peter Sanders of Bristol and said Mr Peter Saunders his answer; both which were read at the board; and said Talbot Clerke Esq acquainted the board that had ordered Thomas Summers from the works at Bristol to come to London who was accordingly come up and attended the board, on which the board having resolved to enquire of said Thos Summers what condition said workes were in he was called to the board and informed them _____

That ye works att ye Cupola are fitt to be sett on work immediately.

That there are five furnaces.

That the five furnaces require four men each.

The wages they pay is 10/- a week one with another same more or less.

They have a very good stock of bricks.

That have lime and limestone in ye works and a kelin to burn it.

That the Welsh oare is better than any their abouts and gives 15 cwt in a Tunn and spend 9 Bushells of coales.

That Green oare was 30/- now 50/- a Tunn yields half lead.

That laid at Bristol now worth £10 per Tunn.

The coals are worth 11 to 12/- for 48 Bushells.

That if occasion be can command 12 men that understand working.

That each furnace will melt 12 Tunns a week of oare which will make 9 Tunns of leads from Welsh oare.

That believes some 20 Tunns a week of oare may be immediately bought up about and near the works.

Capt. Edward Leneve sworne a member of ye Court of Assistants and took his place at the board. Mr Wm Bawmer sworne a member.

Ordered.

That the original lease of the works and the contracts made by Mr Clerke with Mr Dunston & Summers be left with the Company Books in ye possession of Richard Richards ye Company Secretary till further order from ye board.

Talbot Clerke Esq. acquaints the board that Mr Dunston had £70 per annum and Mr Sumers £60 per annum.

Ordered

That three shillings be paid by the acceptor on every transfer that he accepts whereof this board gives 2/6d to ye Secretary and sixpence to the messenger.

That no person be admitted to transfer till the acceptor be present or bring a note under ye accepters hand that he will accept it.

That no person be admitted to transfer till the acceptor be present or bring a note under accepters hand that he will accept it.

That no person be admitted to accept till produces a receipt from the transferor witnessed by ye Company Secretary for having paid the money.

Talbot Clerke Esq. having subscribed the books for five hundred shares and the lease of the works being left with the board and the contracts with Mr Dunston and Mr Summers which he will assign over when the Company please; it is this day Ordered.

That Talbot Clerke Esq. have credit given him in ye Company books for £9,000 and that he may transfer his said 500 shares when and to whom he please.

Ordered that the original lease of the works and the contracts made by Mr Clerke with Mr Dunston and Summers be left with the Company's books in possession of Richard Richards ye Company secretary till further order from ye board.

Ordered. That Talbot Clerke Esq., please to write to Mr Peter Saunders acquainting him that the Company desire him to inspect ye company concerns for the present till such time as some members go down thither when they will fix ye concerne with him & that for ye future all letters from ye Company will go signed by Richard Richards ye company's secretary, to which he is desired to give all credit and that till all things are settled the company will gratify him; and own his trouble.

Mr Summers being called into the board with the Governour acquainted him that the company do agree to take him into their service under ye same salary and considerations that he formerly served Talbot Clerke Esq., & that if he should be sent to Derbyshire they will consider him; and that he return with all convenient speed to Bristol there to follow such orders as he may from time to time receive from the board and that for his charges incoming & going down the compy will allow him £5: which was paid him in a warrant on the Treasurer.

The Treasurer gave into the board an account of the money he received for subscriptions Importing £580.

Thursday 10th November 1692 att 4 in the afternoon LLC 1

Francis Scobell Esq., sworn a member and having accepted 10 shares from Talbot Clerke Esq was by majority of votes chose an Assistant.

The board had first under consideration some members to be desired to go down to the workes to receive possession and give all other necessary directions & after a serious debate it was. Agreed. That it is very requisite & necessary that Talbot Clerke Esq., be desired to go down to the Cupola at Bristol.

Ordered. That the lease of the workes and the agreement with Dunston & Summers be delivered to Mr Renda to prepare a rough draught of their agreement to the Company from Talbot Clerke Esq., against next Court, in order to be amended, approved and ingrossed and it is further desired and,

Ordered. That Talbot Clerke Esq., Sir Henry Marwood, Thomas Addison & Francis Baker Esq., Mr John Franke, Mr George Moore be desired to go down to ye workes at Bristol on or before the 29th Instant and that they please to report to ye board at next meeting if can or do resolve to go or not when this court will come to a further resolution about instructions to be given them.

Sir Carbery Price his Lead ore being under consideration the question was put should Sir Carbery Price to be treated with or not.

Agreed. That Sir Carbery Price be treated with for his Lead ore; and then was further.

Agreed. That five persons of the committee be ordered to treat with Sir Carbery Price and that.

Sir Henry Marwood. Francis Parry Esq

Francis Scobell Esq Thomas Addison Esq.

George Clerke Esq or any three be desired to treat with Sir Carbery Price and in order thereto.

Ordered. That Talbot Clerke and Thomas Renda be and are desired to obtain ye heads of the agreement made by the said Esq., Clerke and Sir Carbery Price and give them to ye Gentlemen above mentioned for their better information in their treating with Sir Carbery Price & that they exceed not £4 5s att ye waterside or £4 15s delivered at ye works for each Tunn of Lead ore.

Ordered. That Mr Fowlers Bell be paid and three guineas be given him for gloves for his care and trouble in the Company concerns.

That Mr Nixes bills Importing £40 17s 10d be paid and that £50 be drawn on the treasurer for petty cash to pay said bills and other disbursements which was accordingly drawn for payment of the above sum of £40 17s 10d.

Mr Adams gave to the board a small seal devised & cut as formerly ordered which being approved was.

Ordered. That said Seal be and hereby is appointed for ye seal manual of this company and remains In the Secretary's possession for to seal letters with.

Ordered. That Talbot Clerke Esq be pleased to write a civil letter to Mr Peter Saunders in answer to his of the 5th Instant and that the secretary write to ye same effect by Saturdays post desiring his advise as anything may offering ye company's service &c.

The Court being now settled here in their office it is agreed to and _____

Ordered. That all the several orders and rules made for the better government of their Courts be from hence forward put in execution under the several rewards and penalties mentioned in the said orders a copy whereof is ordered to be affixt in the Court room &c.

Mr John Henley acquainting the board that one Mr Barry hath offered to make some very advantageous proposals to this board relating to ye better improvement of their joynt stock it is.

Ordered. That Mr Henley desire said Mr Barry to come and bring his proposals with him next Thursday when ye Court will be ready to receive them.

This board taking notice that Mr Thomas Boone hath not subscribed and paid for his shares or come to the Court of Assistants to take ye oath and to act as such though mentioned in the Charter, and hath had due notice by ye messenger of their several meetings. It is this day ____

Ordered. That Richard Richards write him in name of this board desiring him to come on Thursday next to ye Court to take the oaths pay his money subscribed for his shares and take the place of an assistant, otherwise the board will proceed to disenfranchise him & dispose of his shares to others &c.

The Court of Assistants Sworne to this day are as follows

By the Charters & sworn.

Richard Owen Esq Governor
Constantine Vernatti Esq
Thomas Addison Esq
John Moore
Matthias Cupper
John Frank

George Moore Deputy Govr
Francis Baker Esq
George Clerke Esq
John Henley
Richard Adams Treasr chose 18:8 C^{rt}
Thomas Boone nominated but not sworne or
as yet subscribed

By Election 18th October

Talbot Clerke Esq
John Barkstead
Thomas Nix
William Moore
Edward Leneve sworne & chose Nov 1st

Francis Parry Esq
Thomas Renda
Sir Henry Marwood
Henry Tate chose but not sworne as yet
Francis Scobell Esq

21 Members sworn

2 Elected not sworn

23

17th November 1692 att 4 in the afternoon LLC 1

Ordered. That Mr Saunders be writt to pay Messrs Dunston & Summers any sum (not exceeding the £200 formerly ordered) upon their or either of them giving him receipt for ye use of ye company and Mr Saunders to take their account weekly.

To write Mr Dunston to inform him that they have taken of that difficulty of takeing receipts; and that they have writt to Mr Saunders to the same effect.

Talbot Clerke Esq., proposes to the board that a parcel of old Iron that is now at the workes & in dispute between him & Mr Cary of Bristol, that ye company shall have ye same if it be adjudged by law to belong to him at ye rate of £4 10s per ton which this board acceppts of.

Francis Scobell Esq acquaints the board that he had discoursed with Cap^t Bickerstaffe about Sir Carberry Prices mines; and _____

Talbot Clerke Esq also acquaints the board that he had discoursed with said Capⁿ Bickerstaff about Sr Carbery Prices lead mine, he and his brother

And that they are desirous to treat about ye mine, and that he supposes ye Company may have it at about £4 5s per tonn and thereupon itt was.

Ordered. That the former orders to ye several persons therein named for treating with Sr Carbery Price and partners be and is hereby confirmed and that if they can gett Sir Carbery Price and partners to accept of £4 5s per tonn, at ye place of navigation or shipping of.

That they agree with them for 500 tonns to be paid for att delivery and to have the election of so many tonns more at ye same price as ye company shall thinke fit.

A letter and proposals from Mr Barry to Mr John Henley being read at ye board.

Ordered. That Talbot Clerke Esq Sr Henry Marwood, Francis Scobell Esq, Thomas Addison Esq, Mr John Henley be and hereby desired to meet said Mr Barry and informe themselves of

his proposals and to report their opinion to the board and that Mr Henley acquaint said Mr Barry of this order,

Ordered. That the appointment of a time and persons to go for Bristol be differed to the next meeting.

Talbot Clerke Esq his former agreement with Sir Carbery Price was delivered to Thomas Addison Esq.

Mr Barry's Proposals were also delivered to said Esq Addison in order to his treating with both the said parties.

Ordered. That the Consideration of Mr Boons not coming to subscribe his shares be referred to next meeting.

The Treasurer informing this board that no persons had paid in any money since the last account delivered in except Esq Parry who paid his £80 it is therefore,

Ordered. That all persons that have not already paid in their moneys to the treasurer do pay in the same and ye Guinea already forfeited by the 29th instant upon the penalty of forfeiting another Guinea to ye use of the company and that the several persons have notice given them of this order.

Thursday 24th November 1692 att 4 in the afternoon. LLC 1

Mr Henry Tate sworn a member hath paid his money & subscribing ye booke for ten shares tooke his place at ye board as an assistant, being chosen ye 18th 8^{Court} last.

Sir Henry Marwood reports that himself and the gentlemen appointed to treat with Mr Barry have discoursed Mr Barry who is unwilling to disclose himself to so many persons as then named and therefore.

Ordered. That Sr Henry Marwood and Thomas Addison Esq be desired to meete Mr Barry tomorrow to hearer his proposals and this board leave it wholly to the said Sir Henry Marwood and Thomas Addison Esq to act therein as in prudence they may thinke fit and to report their opinions to the board att their next meeting.

Resolved. That ye 12th December next some members be appointed to go down to Bristol and that the 8th next month be resolved on who to go.

Ordered. That in case Mr Thomas Boone come not on this day sennight to this board to take ye oaths and subscribe his shares and pay his money, that this board will proceed to disfranchise him in such manner as their Charter directs & that he have notice given him of this order by ye secretary.

Ordered. That the persons appointed to treat with Sir Carbery Price about his mines be desired to meet said Sir Carbery Price & partners to morrow night at 6 o'clock and report ye result to the board at their next meeting.

The company seal being brought to ye board was approved of and the bill importing £13 ordered to be paid.

Several bills were laid before ye board that were unpaid and an account of Petty cash examined on which it was.

Ordered. That said bills be paid and a warrant was drawn on the treasurer for £30 for petty cash.

The treasurer reports that everyone hath paid in his 40s per share as ordered except Mr Thomas Boone.

The copy of ye assignment to be made by Talbott Clerke Esq to this board was given into the board by Mr Thomas Renda.

Ordered. That said assignment be read next Court.

It was further by majority of votes agreed to and

Ordered. That all persons that make their appearances in due times and shall afterwards depart this Court before it be adjourned shall loose and forfeit his appearance and that ye moneys allotted for each committee shall be divided amongst those only that came in due time and are present att the adjournment of this Court and this order to be in force next meeting.

Ordered. That against next meeting of this board Richard Richards do make out an account of all the appearances from ye 1st committee and what amounts to at £4 per each Court and to prepare a warrant for ye board to sign for the money.

Thursday 1st December 1692 att 4 in the afternoon. LLC 1

Ordered. That ye messenger wait on Capt Bickerstaffe to know when he can appoint a time to meet the committee appointed to treat with him and on his appointment when and where to give notice to the secretary who will give him notice whom to summon who are now again nominated to be

Sir Henry Marwood Bart
Francis Parry Esq
Francis Scobell Esq
Mr Henry Tate

Richard Owen Esq Governor
Thomas Addison Esq
George Clerke Esq

Who have power not only to treat butt to agree both the price and place of delivery of the ore. The rough draughts of an assignment to be made by Talbot Clerke Esq to the Company of his lease of the workes at Bristol was read and approved and thereon.

Ordered. That Mr Renda be desired to ingrosse said assignment and prepare them against next court for this board to sign and also that he prepare ye assignments with Dunston and Summers which said Esq is to assigne over to the company.

A letter from Thomas Summers to the court under Mr Talbot Clerkes covers was read.

The agreement with Sir Carbery Price was encharged by the Governour to be kept private as a material secret of the boards.

A list of the several courts held to this day and the appearances of the severall members being laid at ye board and it importing £24 it was computed that three courts more would be ye most that may be held till xmas it is therefore

Ordered. That the sume of £40 be drawn on the treasurer by warrant and charged to petty cash and out of it each member to be paid his appearance at £4 p each court.

Ordered.

That Mr Summers be writt to advise what ore hath bought and at what price when may be at ye workes & what quantity he can hope to get and when thinks may be at work.

Thursday 8th December 1692 att 4 in the afternoon. LLC 1

The Committee appointed to treat with Capt. Bickerstaffe about Sir Carbery Prices Lead ores reported to the board by Thomas Addison Esq that had met them and,

That they demand £4 6s per tunn small and great Potters ore included & Smithen excepted.

To be delivered at ye warehouse at Abberdovey at 20s to ye tunn to weigh 1s at a time each hundredweight containing 112 lb.

To pay at the delivery of every £200 pounds worth of ore they do draw their bills on the company 28 days sight the warehouse at their charge.

That could not conclude till Sir Carbery Price came to town and when did they would give notice and appoint a meeting to conclude the bargain.

And Further

The committee did offer them £4 per tunn for all ore Smithen excepted after well washed at their charge to the comp satisfaction butt if they take out ye potters ores then to give them but three pounds p tunn.

On which the board having it under consideration after a serious debate it was.

Ordered. That said committee do again meet Sir Carbery Price and partners & this board doe give them full power to conclude and agree according to the instructions verbally concluded on by this court.

And said Committee do appoint Saturday next half an hour past five in the afternoon at Nandos Coffee house to meet Sir Carbery Price and Partners of which the messengers must give notice to each person.

The further consideration of Mr Boones not coming to ye board differed to further orders to be concluded on this day seavennight.

The going for Bristol differed till further order.

Ordered. That on Thursday the 29th Instant is appointed to be held a General Court for the Election of a Governor, Dept. Governor and Assistants for ye year ensuing of which all the members present are desired to take notice & ye Summonses be issued and accordingly,

Talbot Clerke Esq acquaints the board that one Mr Nicholls of Shropshire desires to send three tunns and 6 cwt. of his lead ore for a sample to the works he having 400 tunns to sell.

Ordered. That he may send said ore to the works and on Tryall they well treat with him.

Paid the Governor two shillings coach hire last Monday to Sir Carbery Price and Partners with himself and Capt Henry Tate and Mr George Moore.

Thursday 15th December 1692 att 4 in the afternoon. LLC 1

The Committee to treat with Sir Carbery Price report to ye board by Thomas Addison Esq.

That had treated with Sir Carbery Price butt come to no agreemt as yet but that Sir Carbery Price waited for an answer out of ye Country and the committee wait for notice from them to have another meeting that they continued to proffer at £3 per tunn as rises well dressed Smithem excepted, and he to be off of his bargain with Mr Middleton &c at August next or to give £3 10s per tunn for all other ore well washed Potters & Smithen excepted.

Talbot Clerke Esq., reports to ye board that hath given directions for sending the pattern of Mr Nicholls Lead ores to ye workes at Bristoll ye ore being of three severall sorts and that they promised to let the 3 tunns 6 hundredweight should be at ye workes at Christmass they to leave it to the company to pay for it according to its worth and so to agree for all ye rest of his severall lead ores.

This board observing that no answer was received from the workes at Bristol.

It was concluded very necessary to have an Agent at the workes to inspect and look after the companys concerns there.

The question was putt wether an Agent be appointed or not.

Agreed

That an Agent be appointed, & to be allowed a salary of £100 p Annum for himself and horse, to beare all his own charges, Postage of letters excepted, and to have his lodgings & fire at the workes, the Nomination whereof is defferd till next meeting when all members of this board may present what person they thinke fit & then to resolved who it shall be.

And that ye agent so to be chosen do give £1000 security to the Company for the faithfull discharge of his trust &c.

Mr John Stow is Proposed by Capt Tate.

Mr Charles Goodhand by Francis Parry Esq, both

To be persons fit to be an Agent.

Capt Tate having acquainted the board that a gentleman was at ye Halfe Moone tavern who had 100 tunns of ores ready washed & dressed which he will dispose of & deliver in 10 days & waites to know ye resolution of this board.

Ordered. That the committee appointed to treat with Sir Carbery Price and what other members of this court please are desired and empowered as a committee to treat with said gentleman and agree for his ores on the best termes they can which this board will approve of. Mr Boone not having appeared to take ye oaths as directed by the Charters to subscribe his shares though after summoned is this day by majority of votes disfranchised.

Ordered. That the shares designed for Mr Thomas Boone be disposed of to some other persons as this board may approve who disposed of them as follows.

Mr Tomas Renda	10 Shares
Sir Henry Marwood	5
Francis Scobell Esq	15
Mr Richard Adams	10
Mr Matthew Fowler	10
Mr Edward Leneve	5
Mr Matthias Cupper	<u>5</u>
	<u>60</u> shares

Thursday 22nd December 1692 att 4 in the afternoon. LLC 1

Ordered. That the £200 bill of Mr Peter Saunders drawn on favour of Mr John Gardner be paid and accordingly a warrant was drawne on the treasurer for £200, ordering him to take up said bill & pay ye monye.

Mr Gabriell Glover sworne a member

Mr Richard Goodall and Mr Mathias Fowler sworne members of this company.

Ordered. That on Thursday next is to be held a General Court of all the Adventurers for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor, and 24 Assistants for the year insueing and that summonses be issued out accordingly.

The following members subscribed the books for the following shares and paid to the treasurer 40s each share.

	Shares	£
Sir Henry Marwood	5	10
Mr Thomas Renda	10	20
Mr Richard Adams	10	20
Mr Edward Leneve	5	10
Mr Mathias Cupper	5	10
Mr Matthew Fowler	10	20
Subscribed	45	Shares 90
Francis Scobell Esq is to Subscribe	<u>15</u>	And to pay <u>30</u>
In all	60	Shares 120

Thursday 29th December 1692 att 4 in the afternoon. LLC 1

A General Court

The Charter being read and some heads debated The Court proceeded to the Choyce of a Governor Deputy Governor and Court of Assistants for the year Insueing and accordingly the votes were given In writing and after opened & examined the Majority of votes fell on the persons following vizt.

Richard Owen Esq Governor	George Moore Deputy Governor
Francis Parry Esq	Sir Henry Marwood Bart
Thomas Addison Esq	Richard Adams Treasurer for ye year ensueing
Henry Austin	John Henley
Thomas Nix	Mathias Cupper
John Franke	John Barkstead
John Moore	William Moore
Constantine Vernatti Esq	Thomas Renda
William Bawmer	Edward Leneve
Talbot Clerke Esq	George Clerke Esq
Francis Baker Esq	Henry Tate
Mathias Fowler	Francis Scobell Esq
Richard Goodall Esq	Gabriell Glover

In all the Governor, Deputy Governor and 24 Assistants declared to be duely chosen and to serve for the year Insueing.

Ordered. That all orders made by ye Court of Assistants to this day be and are by this General Court confirmed and approved.

Ordered. That the Governour be desired to take the oaths before ye present Lord Mayor and that next Thursday all the members chosen Assistants be desired to meet here in order to be sworne and enter on business.

Ordered. That Richard Richards be continued Secretary to the Company for the year Insueing att £50 per Annum from the 13th October last.

That John Fearnhead be continued messenger for ye year insueing at £20 per Annum from the 13th October last.

Thursday 5th January 1693 att 4 in the afternoon. LLC 1

Richard Owen Esq., Governor being sworn this 2d instant before the Right Honourable Sir John Fleet Knt and Lord Mayor.

The following persons being by a General Court elected member of ye Court of Assistants for ye year insueing were sworne by ye Governor takeing the oaths appointed by ye Charter.

Viz^t

Sir Henry Marwood Bart	Thomas Addison Esq
Constantine Vernatti Esq	Richard Goodall Esq
George Clerke Esq	Henry Austin
William Bawmer	Richard Adams Treasr
Talbot Clerke Esq	John Henley
Thomas Renda	Mathew Fowler
Thomas Nix	Edward Leneve
Francis Baker Esq	William Moore
John Franke	Gabriell Glover

Mr Richard Adams is chosen treasurer for ye year insueing.

The General Court Minutes read and approved.

Richard Richards sworne secretary for the year Insueing at £50 per Annum Salary.

John Fearnhead sworne messenger for the year insueing at £20 per Annum salary.

A letter Dated from Bristol 2nd instant writt by Thomas Summers and John Dunston to Talbot Clerke Esq was read at the board.

Ordered. That ye former orders given to the Committee appointed to treat with Sir Carbery Price confirmed and empowered to act as formerly desired.

Ordered. That Dunston and Summers be writ to advise the company what quantity of ore they have bought and what more may be had and that they give a weekly account of all that passes and what ore they have and may Smelt and that go to worke and advise at what price they buy the ores and to own the receipt of the Company Letters and the date of the last they writt the company.

A letter from Capt Tate to Richard Richards about Mr John Fernihaugh lead ore was read at the board whereon itt was.

Order. That the Gentlemen appointed to treat with Sr Carbery Price about his lead ore and with them Talbot Clerke Esq be desired to treat with said Mr Fernihaugh and ye Capt Tates letter be delivered that which was accordingly delivered to Talbot Clerke Esq.

A letter from Francis Parry Esq to the Board was brought by Mr Charles Goodhand and who being ordered to withdraw, said letter was read.

And then the board had under consideration the choice of Agents for to inspect their concerns att Bristol.

Mr Charles Goodhand and Mr Sydnam being candidates

The question was put if Mr Charles Goodhand or Mr Sydnam shall be the companys Agent at their workes att Bristol.

It was by majority of votes agreed to that Mr Charles Goodhand and be treated with to be the companys Agent and being called to the board.

The Governor acquaints him that the board do choose him their Agent at ye workes at £100 per Annum salary & to give a thousand pounds security which he accepted and is hereby

Ordered. To attend this board next Thursday.

Thursday 12th January 1693 att 4 in the afternoon. LLC 1

Henry Tate sworn a member of the Court of Assistants

Sr Henry Marwood Reports from ye Committee appointed to treat with Sir Carbery Price.

That they had met said Sir Carbery Price & partners who still demand £4 5s per tunn for all sorts of lead ore as it rises (Smithen excepted) and that this night they have appointed to meet again to conclude that affaire.

Which being under consideration it was.

Ordered. That the former orders given the Committee appointed to treat Sir Carbery Price and are hereby confirmed and said Gentlemen inpowerd to agree with said Sir Carbery Price whome they are desired this night to meete according to appointment and to report the result to the Board.

This Board agreed to the form of a bond and the conditions to be given by Mr Goodhand and his securitys which being read at the board were agreed to and,

Ordered. That said conditional bond be drawn out faire, and given to Mr Goodhand to show his securitys and that he give into ye secretary the names of his securitys and that inquiry be made of them, and the bonds to be prepared against next Court.

Talbot Clerke Esq. proposed to the board to give them a contract made with Mr John Waterfell and Sarah Bickdale for a parcel of Lead Slaggs lying at Bristol and said agreement being read at the board,

It was agreed to and,

Ordered. That Talbot Clerke Esq., his promise that the Company shall be no loosers by the bargain and that if any loss by said slaggs said Talbot Clerke Esq will beare it.

The Company de agree to take said slaggs according to said Talbot Clerke Esq., his agreement whom they desire to expedite the receiving of the said slaggs and forwarding to ye workes and that orders be given for working them up with all convenient speed,

Francis Scobell Esq., sworne an assistant and subscribed the book for 15 shares paying thirty pounds to the treasurer.

Thursday 19th January 1693 att 4 in the afternoon. LLC 1

Sir Henry Marwood reports from the committee appointed to treat with Sr Carbery Price and partners,

That since last Court they have had three severall meetings with said Sir Carbery Price and partners and after severall debates they same to propose heads for articles to be made between them which said Sir Henry Marwood laid before the board which was read and seriously debated and the said heads after amendments made were read and agreed to and,

Ordered. That the said committee be and is hereby impowered to agree with Sir Carbery Price and partners according to the heads this day agreed to and delivered them and on no other terms and if agree to order the drawing the Articles and appoint a day for the payment of the £1000.

Ordered. That in case the company come to an agreement with Sir Carbery Price and partners according to the heads this day concluded on that then 40 shillings per share be raised to be paid after ten days notice of which all the absent members are to have notice,

The board agreed to, to be given the company by Mr Charles Goodhand and his security was shown to the board and also the names given in by said Mr Goodhand for his securitys whereon it was,

Ordered. That enquiry be made about said security and the bonds prepared against next Court.

The board being acquainted that one Mr Allenson attends this board to treat with them about some Lead ore on which being called in and informed them of his mines it was,

Ordered. That Talbot Clerke Esq. and Mr Thomas Renda do treat with said Mr Alenson and receive his proposals and report the result to the board,

Ordered. That Sir Henry Marwood, Thomas Addison Esq., Henry Tate, George Moore, Talbot Clerke Esq., Mr Renda be desired to treat with Mr Fernihaugh about his ore and receive from him or any or any of their proposals for Lead and Copper ores and report ye result to the board,

Ordered. That Instructions be prepared for Mr Goodhand to be seen and approved the next Court day.

That Mr Dunston and Summers be writt to and the Receipt of his letter and accounts owned and that for the future he name the labourers and ye days from such a day to such a day and at how much per diem &c.

Thursday the 26th January 1693 att 4 in the afternoon LLC 1

Sr Henry Marwood reports from the committee appointed to treat with Sir Carbery Price and partners.

That they had as yet come to no agreement but that hoped to effect it before next court on which it was,

Ordered. That the power given said committee be continued and they are desired to continue to meete said Sir Carbery Price and partners and endeavour to conclude on their former Instructions.

Mr George Moore reports from the committee appointed to treat with Mr Fernihaugh, That they have had severall meetings but as yet had concluded on nothing but that said Mr Fernihaugh was without on which the board had it under consideration and being called to the board after some debate the board agreed with him as follows.

That Mr Fernihaugh shall deliver on board of one or two ships to be freighted at the cheapest rate he can in the Port of Pothelle for the Companys Lead works called the Cupola nere Bristol, on hundred or one hundred and twenty tunns of Lead ore a little more or less every tunn to containe 20 cwt and every hundred to containe 120 lb weight besides the over weight the same to be delivered on board free of all charges to the company,

That the said ore so shipt shall be of that goodness as to yield 12 or 13cwt of 120 lb to the tunn in every 20 cwt by the common way of Smelting,

That the Company will upon delivery of ye said ore on board pay to said Mr Fernihaugh at Chester £3 10s or every Tunn to pay his bills at Thiry days sight after shipping.

That the company will pay freight for ye said ship or ships.

That the Ore be consigned to Mr Charles Goodhand the Company's agent there for the Company account.

The above heads being read over Mr Wm Fernihaugh agreed to them and there on.

Ordered. That Mr George Moore have said heads of agreement given him and that he meet said Mr Fernihaugh and settle that concern.

Mr Thomas Renda reports from the Committee appointed to treat with Mr Allenson that they had come to no agreement with him, but that he remained to write down into the country and when received an answer would treat with them again whereon it was,

Ordered. That the power and directions formerly given the Committee to treat with said Mr Allenson be continued and that they report to the board what progress they make therein, The bonds to be given by Mr Charles Goodhand and his security's being since last Court altered and amended and also the form of his commission and instructions to be given him were all after several amendments made read & approved and thereon it was,

Ordered. That said bonds be writt faire and ye Commission and instructions be Engrossed against next Court and ye Company accepting Mr Wm Fernihaugh of Chester Merchant for one & Mr Charles Goodhand security in the penal bond of £500 and Francis Branaston of the Middle Temple Esq. for another security in the penal bond of £500.

Ordered. That said bonds be prepared sealed & delivered and Mr Charles Goodhand be from this day forward admitted the company agent at £100 p Annum for himself and horse, to bearer all his own charges (Postage of Letters pens Ink and paper and bookes excepted) and to have his Lodgings and fire at the workes) and that his salary commence this day accordingly. The state of Petty cash was laid before the Board and it appearing that there was more money Disbursed then received it was,

Ordered, That the Governor, Dep Governor, Mr John Franke and Mr Jon Barkstead or any three of them be desired to examine and inspect the Petty cash, and in the interim that Thirty pounds be drawn on the Treasurer for Petty Cash which was accordingly done by a Warrant on the Treasurer.

Thursday the 2nd February 1693 att 4 in the afternoon LLC 1

Ordered that Mr Summers be writt to not dispose of the lead without order and to answer to the Company's last letter in each particular.

The Committee appointed to treat with Sir Carbery Price do by Thomas Addison Esq., report that as yet had come to no conclusion about Sir Carbery Price and Partners but that expected to heare from them on which it was,

Ordered. That the powers formerly given said committee be continued and that they report to the board all that may occur in that negotiation.

The committee appointed to treat with Mr Wm Fernihaugh having reported some difficulties and objections made by Mr Fernihaugh against the agreement concluded last Court said agreement was under consideration and after severall amendments made was agreed to and thereon,

Ordered. That said articles of agreement as amended be ingrossed and in case Mr Fernihaugh do go out of Town before the next sitting of the Court that the Governor do seal and deliver said Articles out of Court In the Companys name and this court do and will hereby confirm the same as their act and deed.

Mr Charles Goodhand being chosen the Companys Agent; and ordered to attend the board was accordingly called in and having delivered his bonds with security for the faithfull discharges of his Trust his Instructions were agreed to and he was accordingly sworn, takeing the oaths appointed by the Charter and agreed to by the Company and thereon his commission was read and approved and sealed and delivered by the Governour in open Court as the account and deed of the Company and it was further,

Ordered. That Mr Charles Goodhand be and is hereby ordered to go down on Monday next to the Company works att the Cupola neare Bristol and to follow the instructions this day agreed by the Company and such further orders as from time to time he shall receive from this board or their secretary by their order.

The board having under consideration their works at Bristol bought and purchased of Talbot Clerke Esq. The question was put if any person should be nominated to go down to the works there. It was by majority of votes agreed to that some persons should be desired to go down and after some debate itt was further agreed to and Ordered That Mr George Moore Talbot Clerk Esq. and Henry Tate be hereby desired and ordered to go downe to the Company's works to inspect and view them and that Mr Moore as Deputy Governor receive possession thereof in the name of the Company and administer the oaths to Mr Dunston and Sumers and whom else they may receive into the Company's service and that they direct and order what else they may think convenient and att their return report to the board how the Company's affairs stand there &c.

Thursday the 9th February 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

The board being acquainted that Mr Wm Fernihaugh refused to agree the articles unless the bills might be drawn at Ten days sight It was agreed and then,

Ordered. That the secretary get as many days as come not under ten days and that the Governor seal the Articles out of Court as ordered last Court &c.

Sir Henry Marwood reports from the Committee appointed to treated with Sir Carbery Price and partners that as yet had come to no resolutions these gentlemen still starting new difficulties, the matter was seriously debated and at last was finally agreed and

Ordered. That Sir Henry Marwood or any else of the Gentlemen appointed a committee to treat with said Gentleman do acquaint them at this board will no more treat with them but if they have any principal to make between this and next Court if deliver them in writing to any of the Gentlemen appointed to treat with them they will next court give them a final answer. The copy of the lease to be agreed by this board for the office at this hall was presented and thereon it was,

Ordered. That Mr Thomas Renda, John Franke, and Mathias Fowler be desired and are hereby empowered to peruse said lease and to prepare it accordingly to this board from an agreement on which they will order the sealing and delivery.

Ordered. That from hence forward this court will meet at five a clock under the same rewards and penalties as usual.

Thursday the 16th February 1693 LLC 1

Ordered. That Mr Goodhands letter be answered and owning the receipt of his letter and that the company wait his account &c.

Sir Henry Marwood reports from the committee formerly appointed to treat with Sir Carbery Price and partners that they desire once more to meete the committee and question not but should come to an agreement on which ye board having it under consideration it was,

Ordered, That the Gentlemen appointed a committee to treat with Sir Carbery Price and partners do again meet said Gentlemen and that Mr Thomas Renda be joined to them, and that if they will agree on the following heads that then they conclude to the bargain viz^t,

First. That Sr Carbery Price shall deliver to the Company all the ore he shall raise and what the company refuses Sir Carbery to dispose off.

2dly. That the company shall take or refuse the ore att the mines,
3dly. That what quantity of ore the company takes Sir Carbery Price shall send to Abberdovey where Sir Carbery shall have a store house &c. ye ore shall then be weighed as it is delivered on board of ship.

4thly. That on delivery thereof on board the ship bills to be given for the same at 30 days sight.

5thly. That the Company shall pay four pounds per Tunn.

6thly. That our of the ore already raised or to be raised by ye 1st of August next Sir Carbery shall reserve one thousand tunns of Potterne Ore at his disposal.

7thly. That of ye ore to be delivered before August ye company shall not sell the Potterne ore.

8thly. That from the 1st day of August the company shall have all the ore as it rises and dispose of the Potterne Oare as they thinke fit.

Mr Thos Renda reports that as yet had not met about ye lease from ye Saddlers Company they not having a Court but ye next week would endeavour to adjust it on which it was,

Ordered. That said Mr Renda, Franke, and Towler do continue the adjustment of said lease as formerly ordered.

Ordered. That Mr Fernihaugh be waited on to sign the agreement concluded on.

Thursday the 23rd February 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

That the Company observe the great negligence of Mr Dunston and Summers In not being provided with fluxes fitt and proper for operations which the Company highly resents and allsoe that they should buy ores att such high prices as 5/- and 5/6 per cwt without acquainting the company of it and if for the future more care be not taken the Company will be obliged to take other measures.

Mathias Fowler. That takes longer time for his bills he may draw for the future.

That he advise what quantity of lead was made of the 3 tuns of ore he says was smelted.

To write to Mr Dunston according to the direction penned by Esq Parry and approved of by the board.

Mr Renda reports that as yet had not adjusted the lease of the Hall but that before next Court he would endeavour to fix itt which this board again request and impower him and Mr Franke and Fowler to adjust and agree.

The Committee appointed to treat with Sir Carbery Price and partners report by Esq. Parry That they had come to an agreement with them for one thousand Tunns on the conditions mentioned in the articles drawn up and laid before the board which being read the matter fell under debate and after some time spent therein it was agreed that the following clause should be inserted Viz.

That the Company shall give notice to Sir Carberry Price in three months time that they will take of 2000 Tonns a year from the first of August next and continue the like agreement for other two years. That Sir Carberry Price shall make such a grant to ye Company and upon sealing such agreement the Company shall advance other £500.

And the question was put if the agreement made with Sir Carbery Price & partners about ye 1000 tonns of lead ore on ye heads already agreed to with ye additional Clause on not

It was By majority of votes agreed that said agreement with the additional clause be made with Sir Carbery Price & partners and that ye committee formerly appointed to treat with said Sir Carbery Price be desired and are impowreed to conclude said Bargaine.

Talbot Clerke Esq. gave to the board a letter received from Mr Leeke dated the 18th Inst which was read at the board and thereon it was.

Ordered. That Mr Leeke be writt to that the company approve of the Ore he hath bought and do desire him to weigh it and forward it to the workes and then draw A bill on them at usance for what it imports and it shall be punctually paid.

A warrant was signed for £100 on the treasurer to pay the £100 bill drawne by Mr Charles Goodhand favour of Mr John Allen and remained with ye secretary.

Mr Fernihaughs agreemt with this board was laid before them and approved.

Thursday the 2nd March 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

The Company observe ye reasons Mr Dunston gives for his disappointment in the last operations. To send him the copy of Dunston and Sumers their accounts which he must compare and adjust with them for the future they must be accountable to him and he to the Company.

That make up a clear account of all ore bought by them and the lead smelted with the charge and what old iron etc. spent in fluxing with other incidents that the Company may know the cost of the lead produced from the ore and charges.

That pay Dunston and Sumers their salaries per mensem if they desire.

That he advise what calculate he makes of ye ore smelted which ought to cost but £4 per tunn delivered att the workes for which price the can and have contracted for considerable quantities.

That endeavour to sell the Lead made; att the market price though but in small parcels, and as that governs must compute the cost of ye ore and out of it, supply himselfe if wants money to buy ores but if find difficulty therein the company will order him moneys hence.

That ye company have ordered an advertisement to be put in ye gazette. That if any persons have any Lead ore & will contract for it, they will receive their proposals either here or there & do not doubt but ye meanes to have quantities at Low Prices he must therefore not exceed £4 delivered at the workes and as much under as can but this to himselfe.

The company would have him to take Dunston and Summers advice and learne if a vessel may be had there to goe to fetch ore att Abberdovey for Bristol and at what price and if a constant imploy at how much per mensum.

To write Mr Richard Usticke att Biddiford to the same effect as to Mr Goodhand about a vessel if may be gott to go for Abberdovey.

Ordered. That an advertisement may be putt in to next Mondays Gazette in the following.

Whereas their Majesties have been graciously pleased to Incorporate diver persons for the smelting downe purifying and refining of Lead ore with Pittcoale and Seacoale by the name of ye Governor and Company for Smelting downe lead with Pittcoale and Seacoale.

These are to give notice to all persons that have any Lead ore to dispose of that they may repaire to ye said Company workes at ye Cupola nere Bristol or to the said Governor and Company every Thursday at their office att Sadlers Hall Cheapside London where any proposals for lead ore will be received.

The Committee appointed to treat with Sir Carbery Price and partners report that they had an agreement with said Sir Carbery Price and partners which was laid before the board and read and after a long debate It was approved and agreed to and

Ordered. That said Articles of agreement be engrossed and prepared for ye Company to seal against next court.

Thursday the 14th March 1693 att 5 in the afternoon. LLC 1

To write Mr Charles Goodhand. That he represent to the Assessors what he thinkes convenient but rather then dispute it that he pays 30s per quarter, but for his better information that he inquire what ye works were estimated at and paid before.

That is he draw the £100 ordered him out of Court his bill will be punctually paid.

That in case he have not smelted the ores sent by Mr Leeke that he lay by all the Potterne ore till further order and smelt all the rest as ordered the 9th Instant unless find one inconvenience it itt.

That notwithstanding the order of the 9th instant that he buy what good ore he can not to exceed from £4 10s to £4 15s at the workes clear of all charges and to give ne more till further order from this board.

To write to Mr Wm Leeke. That his bill of £47 6s 8d is this day accepted and will be punctually paid

To Mr Wm Fernihaugh. That the company want not Lead ore at those high prices he mentions but if can supply them with a parcel at the same rate and termes as are agreed to in his articles on his advise the Company will Treate further with him.

The articles of agreement concluded on last Court between this board and Sir Carbery Price and partners were laid before this board and after long debate it was at last.

Ordered. That Mr Thomas Renda be desired to acquaint Sir Carberry Price and partners that the board having notice that on Thursday next there is to be a hearing at Council board touching on information brought by ye King against Sir Carberry Price his lead mines, the Company have defferd ye sealing of the articles till that hearing is over.

Thursday the 28th March 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

The letters from Mr Goodhand and read last Court were again this day read at ye board and after some debate thereon it was.

Ordered. That the company do approve of what he writes and that he buy up the best of the small parcels of ore at his discretion so as that the Company may not be very great losers by it.

That if buy any large quantity of ore that he do not exceed £4 10s as formerly ordered.

That he may take up of Mr Allen three hundred pounds as may have occasion and pass his bills on the Company at 20 day sight.

The agreement made with Sr Carbery Price and partners read att ye board and Sir Charles Bickerstaffe and Sir Humphrey Edwin attending without it fell under debate and after a long dispute the Governor and Sir Henry Marwood were desired to waite on said Sir Charles Bickerstaffe and Sir Humphrey Edwin and at their returne it was mutually agreed between them and this board.

That Sir Carberry Price and partners to deliver the 140 Tunns of unpickt ore now lying on the grass and 110 Tunns more of hard oare making in all 250 Tunns and amounting att £4 per tunn to £1000. £500 whereof to be paid at the sealing of the agreement and 125 Tunns (part of hard oare and part of unpickt oare) to be delivered for that £500 and the other £500 to be paid upon the delivery of the other 125 Tunns remayner of the 250 Tunns. The oare to be delivered clean and merchantable att Abberdovey 125 Tunns by the 25 April and 125 Tunns remayner by the 25 May following.

The ore to be delivered clean and merchantable at Abberdovey 125 tunns by the 25th April next and 125 tunns remayner by the 25th May following.

The articles to be signed on Thursday the 6th April and £500 to be then paid.

Sir Carbery Price and all others that sign the articles Covenant Joyntly and severally for performance thereof and then it was.

Ordered. That the above agreement be drawn up into Articles and show it to Sir Humphrey Edwin and then when approved to be engrossed and prepared against next Court for the Companys seal.

The board having made this agreement. The state of cash was next under consideration and it appearing that there would want money to pay Sir Carbery Price and partners it was this day nemini contradicent agreed.

That twenty shillings per share be raised each members shares to be paid to the treasurer Mr Richard Adams on or before the 5th day of April next of which ye present members do take notice and it is

Ordered. That all other the absent members have notice given them to pay in their moneys accordingly

The state of Petty cash was laid before ye board and there appearing more money to be disbursed then received and that there were severall sums due for salaries it was.

Ordered. That £70 be paid by the treasurer for Petty Cash and accordingly a warrant was drawne for ye same.

Ordered That the secretary be paid his salary Till the 25th Instant and the Messenger the same as agreed by this Court the 29th December 1692.

Thursday the 13th April 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

The letters received read and ordered to be answered.

To Mr Goodhand

That he go smelting all ye ore and slag and sell what Lead he can but not under £9 10s per tunn.

To send him Esq Parrys letter to Mr Allen for to receive the remaining £200 of the £300 formerly Ordered him.

To write Mr Wm Fernihaugh

That he forward the Lead ore for Bristol that the Company contracted for and that he take care that its goodness may answer expectation.

The board being informed by Sir Henry Marwood that Sir Carbery Price and partners refuse to agree with ye Company It was under a long debate & at last was

Resolved. That ne further application be made to sir Carbery Price and partners, but if they will sell their ore the company will pay for what quantity they take at the same prices they may give others.

Mr Moore gave the board a letter received from Bristol advising that lead was worth £10 per tunn.

The board having ye 2d Feb last desired & ordered Mr George Moore, Talbot Clerke Esq and Mr Henry Tate to go down to ye Comp works at ye Cupola at Rownham near Bristol to inspect their concerns & to view their works and their going down having been put of and hindered hitherto they are again requested to go down with all speed which they having promised to do

The orders formerly given them and are this day read and approved and ordered to be delivered to them and Thomas Addison Esq is also desired to go with them to whom and all them this board do give full power and authority to act and do whatsoever else they may think convenient for the company's interest and service and to give all necessary orders & directions which this board will ratify and confirm and at their return they are hereby ordered and desired to report to this board all that may transact and do in virtue of the power and authority given them by this order a true copy whereof is ordered to be given them for their warrant for so doing.

The state of Petty cash being laid before the board and there appearing to want money. Ordered. That £20 be drawn by a warrant on the Treasurer for Petty cash which was accordingly done,

The board observing that little money was paid of the 20s per share ordered to be raised it was, Ordered. That every member is hereby ordered and desired to pay his money by ye next Court day the 27th instant.

Ordered. That from this day forward the sum of forty shillings and not more be allowed for Court money each meeting till further order from this board.

Thursday the 4th May 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

Ordered. That the accounts received be laid by till the return of the Gentlemen from Bristol and then to be further considered of and committed to a committee to examine .

The consideration of what moneys were paid in of the 20 p share was under debate and thereon itt was.

Ordered . That each member doe payin his 20s per share ordered to be paid on or before the rising of this Court this day seven night on the penalty of 5s for every Ten shares and so prorato; Mr George Moore to be excused being out of town on the Company's account, The warrant of £100 drawn 20th April last out of Court allowed.

Thursday the 11th May 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

To write Mr Charles Goodhand.

The company leave it to his discretion to smelt or lay by ye ore and slags as he thinks most convenient.

That they observe what he writes about the ore proffered him & ye price they demand and but the company continue their former order not to exceed £4 15s per tunn for Lead ore that he may buy.

That he mentions to have bought 8 or 10 tons of ore since he received their orders but doth not advise ye price which for the future he must do,

To write Mr Wm Fernihaugh.

The company did expect long since to have received the Lead Ore he contracted with them for to send to their workes they desire to know what he designs to do to send it or not that they may take their measures accordingly.

The treasurer reports to the board that had received £405 on account of the last 20s per share ordered to be raised and that was paid by the following persons viz.

Richard Owen Esq Governor	50
Mathias Cupper	25

Thomas Nix	10
Sr Henry Marwood	15
John Henley	20
Thomas Addison Esq	20
Henry Austin	20
William Moore	25
Constantine Vernatti Esq	10
William Bawmer	10
Edward Leneve	15
Thomas Renda	20
Richard Adams	30
Henry Tate	10
John Moore	50
Francis Scobell Esq	15
Francis Parry Esq	40
George Clerke Esq	<u>20</u>
Shares	405

The board being informed that Francis Baker Esq was under contract with Mr William Bawmer about ye sale of his shares the Consideration of his forfeiture is referred & suspended till next Court,

Ordered. That all persons that have not paid in their money have a summons sent them to pay it in by Thursday next before ye sitting of this board on the penalty of ten shillings for every ten shares and above ye five shillings per every ten shares already forfeited.

Thursday the 18th May 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

A letter from Mr Pugh of Salop to Talbot Clerke Esq being read at ye board it was.

Ordered. That Talbot Clerke Esq answer said letter & proffer him for his ore as it rises £3 15s per tun delivered at Abberdovey and £4 15s at ye workes at Bristol at 120 lb. to ye hundred weight and his letter to be copied into the company books.

To write to Mr Charles Goodhand

That the company former wrote him not to give more than £3 10s per ton for the ship of lead ore yet if cannot get it under that he may give 4s 4d per cwt. accounting ye long hundred and endeavour to agree with them to deliver to him to ye quantity of one hundred tons of ye same quality and at the same price in a limited time and under reasonable penalty

That he advise if the 14 tons of ore he mentions be part of ye 25 tons the company advised him of in their last,

To send him a copy of Mr Summers report of his journey and order him to answer in writing to each particular of the instructions he received and remit it the company p very first.

That next Court he will have the company's further orders when have considered the report made them about their affaires there.

That he may make the cistern and build the shed as he desires.

The Deputy Governor, Talbot Clerke Esq, and Mr Henry Tate report to this board that they desire to be referred to the letters they writt them Bristol date ye 27th Ultimo which was read and,

Ordered. That all the goods belonging to Esq Clerke as mentioned be delivered to his order when he pleases.

That the goods claimed by Mr Cary do continue there till the difference be decided between him and said Talbot Clerke.

That Mr John Dunston account be perused and prepared by the secretary against next court when this board will further consider thereof and all other particulars relating to their workes. Mr Adams the treasurer reports.

That no moneys have been paid in since last court and,

That Mr Wm Bawmer being sick desired him to acquaint the board that he would not take Francis Bakers shares whereon it was,

Ordered. That Francis Baker Esq be summoned to pay in his money by next Court and then,

Ordered. That all members that have not paid in their money do pay it in by this day seven night on ye penalty of 5s each Ten shares more then ye former penalties and that Summons be sent them accordingly,

A warrant of one hundred pounds signed for payment of a bill of Mr Charles Goodhand

Thursday the 25th May 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

To Mr Fernihaugh

That the company have accepted his bill and will punctually pay it.

To Mr Charles Goodhand.

To go or send to see Esq Walters mine as formerly ordered,

That Esq Parry writes Mr Allen to supply him with one hundred pounds.

Ordered. That Esq Parry be desired to give Mr Allen order to pay Mr Goodhand one hundred pounds.

That Dunstons account be referred to next Court.

The treasurer reports no money paid in since last court.

Ordered. The Consideration of ye report of ye workes referred to next court.

Ordered. That ye persons that have not paid in their moneys be ordered to pay it in on or before the day seven nights on ye penalty of 5s for every ten shares more than the penalties already forfeited.

A warrant signed for £100 to pay Mr Goodhands bill of ye 15th Ultimo.

A warrant signed for £210 to pay Mr Wm Fernihaugh bill of the 17th Instant.

Capt. Leneve reports to ye board that had a proffer made him of a parcel of lead ore at the port of Flint part hard round ore and part sieve whereon it was.

Ordered. That Capt. Leneve do treat with said Gentlemen and agree with them for the best ore £4 15s per ton delivered at the workes and for the sieve ore £3 15s per ton at ye workes the long hundred and if delivered at the Port of Flint to abate 20s per ton of each sort.

Thursday the 1st June 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

To write Mr Charles Goodhand

That the company do approve of what writt out of Court the 30th Ultimo

That he receive and unload ye ore & pay the Master his freight.

That he lay the ore apart and go smelting it without mixing others with them & get some honest substantial witnesses to see it weighed into the furnace and when smelted to weigh the lead it produces and lay it apart.

That he take no notice of that matter of the ore to any body else.

That he pay for the Iron from Wellington and to defer the building the new furnace till further order.

To send him Mr Summers letter open under a flying seal that he peruse and deliver it and take care to tell the company have a full & immediate answer and with all privacy.

That Mr Parry will write Mr Allen and as from time to time he may want moneys the company will supply him.

To write to Mr Summers.

That the company observe what he said about the blacke stony ores near Hollywell of which Esq Clerke hath also acquainted them and Mr Addison not being come to terms

That the Company may have full information he must give them a particular account about that blacke stony ore near Hollywell which he says yields 15 cwt in 20 cwt in whose hand it lies what quantity of ore upon the grass and may be expected; the nature of the mine and bigness of the vein whether in one place or in many and if so to advise the names of the owners. And let them know on what terms he thinks the company may have a lease of the mine or mines to dig themselves what part they may give for farme ore with his opinion on the whole matter.

Ordered. That Mr Fernihaughs bill be paid according to ye warrant signed last court.

Capt. Edward Leneve acquainted the board that had discoursed the Gentlemen about some lead ore in Flintshire; as ordered last Court but had come to no resolution or agreement only they desired some time to advise their friends about it and that then they would give him another meeting.

Ordered. That Capt. Leneve be desired to meet and treat with said Gentlemen as ordered last court.

Ordered. That in the interim this Court do meet again all letters received be sent to the Governor Esq Clarke, Sir Henry Marwood and what other the secretary may find & that they be answered as they may direct.

Thursday the 15th June 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

To Mr Charles Goodhand

The company have a letter from Mr Fernihaugh who desires the Master may have a note on him for ye freight. Which he must give him in case hath not paid him.

That he worke up and smelt Mr Fernihaughs ore apart and keep an exact account of ye charge

That his bills drawn are paid and that he shall have Mr Parrys order to receive £100 or £200 off Mr Allen as he may want it.

As to what he writes about ye price of Lead he will have the company orders next court.

In ye interim that he sell no lead under £10 per ton and that he advise what quantity of lead he hath by him.

That he pay Mr Summers his charges but ye company think it too much.

To write Mr Wm Fernihaugh.

That the company observe what he writes that Mr Goodhand writt him about the ore he sent which is very true and are sorry it so happens and since he hath been abused they hope he will have satisfaction and take care that ye remainder be such as may answer his contract.

That ye company observes what he proposes about 60 or 80 tonns of small good lead ore that cost him £4 p ton that lies at Chester which he is willing to ship for Bristol if the company will run ye risque of ye sea and he will be paid for it as it proves in goodness when delivered to which the company answers.

That if will end said ore ye company will run ye risque of the sea and pay him for it according as it proves.

The company have ordered ye ore be sent to be smelted apart and ye account to be kept by it self that he may be righted and they not wronged and that he hasten ye remainder of ye ore contracted for.

Ordered. That a warrant be drawn on ye Treasurer for £100 to pay a bill of Mr Goodhands due; which was accordingly drawne and signed.

Mr Emerton proposed to this board to furnish them with lead ore from Ireland to be delivered at Bristol which this board approved of and when see ye samples and know his proposals would treat about the price which he said could not do till had discoursed his partners in Ireland wither he was going, but in 6 weeks time he said would write ye company about it.

Thursday the 22nd June 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

The letters received read and ordered to be answered.

To write Mr Charles Goodhand

That he go smelting all ye ore he can to make Lead against Bristol faire & sell it at ye market price for ready money and to trust no body; but if can before ye faire find a market to his mind that he sell which ye company leave to his discretion so to manage ye sale as that he keepe as little lead on his hands as possible hoping he will get £9 10s per ton and so dispose of it as to make the companys stocke.; there to circulate to which end they confide in him and leave it to his discretion when and at what price to sell in all which the hope he will study the companys interest and advantage.

That a member of this board was lately att Bristol and says Lead was att £8 7s 6d per ton the 6th Instant and in your letter of ye 5th Instant you say that perceived the plumber would have given you £9 5s per tonn so that his report contradicts your advise which ye company hope you take care to write what really passes.

That midsummer quarter being come he send up all the accounts to quote day & commence them from the 9th January that Dunston and Sumers gave their last account copy whereof ye company send him stated that he may in his account give ye credit for the balance of each of their accounts and state his owne accounts in ye same method & also send that an account of all the lead ore found a the workes and bought & not smelted with ye quantity of lead and slag produced, and must every week send up weekly accounts of all the ore he buys & at what price what ore he smelts and what lead and slag it produces and when smelt over ye slag again to advise how much slag he smelts and what lead itt produces and in case he well understand not ye secretary's meaning to send up his accounts ye best he can & then they shall be rectified & stated as to this board they be thought fit & to suite his weekly accounts in his letters so that his letter be here every Wednesday post to be read a Thursday at the board to who must also every weeke give an account of ye price current at Bristol of lead & lead ores that he buys.

The Treasurer reporting that as yet had received no more moneys of ye last 20s per share ordered to be raised; the ye £405 he gave an account of 11th May last ye state of cash was laid before ye board and fell under consideration & some members being present that had not paid in their share were desired to give to this board their reason why did not pay itt in to which they for answer desired that they might have time till next Thursday to give in their reasons which ye board did allow that & upon it was,

Ordered. All persons that have not paid in their monys ordered to be raised and long since due; do on Thursday next at ye sitting of this board give in their reason for not paying in their mony or do pay it in to the treasurer and on default of both this board will further consider thereof of which ye persons present do take notice and ye persons absent are to have notice. And then ye board proceeded to the further consideration of ye state of cash and after full debate.

The question was putt if a sum of mony should be raised or not.

It was by majority of votes agreed. That a sum of mony should be raised.

Then the question was put what money should be raised and when paid.

It was by majority of votes agreed and.

Ordered. That 20s per share be raised on each members shares to be paid to the treasurer on or before ye 6th day of July next of which order notice must be given to all ye members concerned.

Thursday the 29th June 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

To write to Mr Wm Fernihaugh

That his proposals made in his letter of ye 4th Instant about 60 or 80 tonns of ore the company answered ye 17th Instant which they again confirm and thereto refer.

That his ore he sent is not yet smelted when is he shall have an exact account being kept.

Talbot Clerke Esq acquainted ye board that John Barkstead being desirous to quit his Interest in ye joint stocke of ye company he had agreed to buy his shares provided ye company would admit him instead Mr Barkstead and that he would pay from time to time what shall be raised and is in arrears till ye whole summe of £18 per share be paid which the board had under consideration and after some debate it was rejected.

Then said Talbot Clerke Esq desired leave of this board till next Court to bring in some other proposals in order to adjust that affaire which this board agreed to.

It being ordered last court That all members that had not paid in their arrears of monys due and ordered to be raised should appear this day & shew cause why had not paid in said arrears no members of them appeared it was.

Ordered. That all persons in arrears be summond to pay in their money on or before ye 6th day of July next on the penaltie of 5s for every Ten shares over and above ye forfeitured already due.

Talbot Clerke Esq acquainted ye board yt had received a letter from Mr Wm Leeke who said had bought a parcel of good lead ore at £3 15s per tonn which ye company might have if pleased.

Ordered. That Talbot Clerke Esq be desired to write Mr Leeke to send a sample of ye ore and the quantitie when the board will further consider thereof.

The state of cash and a computation of stocke was laid before the board and read and the further consideration thereof it referred to next court.

Thursday the 6th July 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

It being past 6 a clock and noe Governor nor Depty Governor being present.

The present members proceeded to open letters and Mr Fernihaughs letter being read and his bill presented itt was the opinion of the members present that said bill be not accepted the goods not being shipt & for other reasons writt ye drawer .

That a letter be writt Mr Fernihaugh that ye comp wonder he will draw bills before ye ore be shipped especially considering how bad ye last shipment proved if it be ye ore he is to ship by contract it ought to be good & shipped before bills be drawne if the ore be shipped for his owne account for ye company to pay as proves it ought to be paid till ye ore be received and smelted and on ye whole ye company hope & expect he give an honourable compliance to his contract &c.

It is further the opinion of this board that this be communicated to ye Governor and if he approves of it be writt to said Mr Fernihaugh.

Friday 7th July 1693 the above orders were communicated to ye Governor who approved thereof.

Thursday the 13th July 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

To write to Mr Goodhand.

An answer in course that sorry to hear ye bad operation of Fernihaughs ore that he keep an account of its charge apart and that the company do approve of ye lead sold and leave it to him to dispose of ye rest.

Talbot Clerke Esq acquaints ye board that writ Mr Wm Leeke as ordered ye 29th Ultimo but as yet had received no answer.

The state of cash being under consideration and ye treasurer reporting that there was £95 in arrears of ye 2nd payment and only £10 paid in on the ye 3rd payment after a long and serious debate itt unanimously agreed to and nemini contradicente.

Ordered. That all persons that are in arearers for ye 2nd payment ordered ye 28th March last do pay in their moneys with all forfeitures on or before ye next sitting of this Court on Thursday ye 20th Instant and on default of non payment ye board will immediately disfranchise them.

And it was also nemini contradicente further agreed to and.

Ordered. That all persons be summond to pay in ye last 20s per share on or before ye next sitting of this board on Thursday ye 20th Instant on ye penalty of paying and forfeiting 5s for every tenn shares & that til said sum and penalty be paid that such defaulter shall not be admitted to sit & act at this board as an assistant till hath actually paid.

Ordered. That no court money for ye future be allowed unless the Governour and Deputy Governor be present.

The lease of Sadlers Hall being engrossed and left this board to sign and a memorandum left in writing of what due both for rent and fees.

Ordered. That Mr Renda & Edward Leneve be desired and impowered to fix and settle said lease with ye Clerke of Sadlers hall and what they shall act therein this board will ratify and confirm.

Said gentlemen in order thereunto do appoint to meet on Monday ye 17th Instant att 2 in ye afternoon.

Thursday the 20th July 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

To write Mr Charles Goodhand

That ye company have received his account which will be examined and then shall have ye companys orderes thereto.

That he smelt Mr Fernihaughs ore the best he can either with slag or without it & with all speed with an exact account of ye charge Including ye damages done ye furnace and all ye lead it produces.

To Mr Wm Fernihaugh

That whereas he seems to take unkindly that his bill was not accepted if will peruse what ye company writt ye 8th Instant he will find not reason for complaint nor had he any to draw on them for his contract is to be paid ten days after ye oare is shipt & he never had their orders to buy up any for their account only he proposed to send them 60 or 80 tonns of ore which he had bought if ye company would run ye risque of the sea and that he would be paid for it as it proved by smelting so that he is to blame for drawing and not ye company for not accepting where nothing is due.

That orderes are given for finishing ye smelting of ye ore he sent & will then send him a just account of its produce and charges and question not but he will make them satisfaction on according to his contract and repeated promises in all his letters.

The lease of Sadlers Hall apartment for an office lay before ye board & Messrs' Renda and Leneve reporting yt they had discoursed the Clerke Mr Banner and found nothing on the lease but what was usual it was.

Ordered. That ye halfe years rent due and the five guineas glove money (*Reward, or gratuity, supposedly to pay for gloves*) and five guineas to the Clerke be paid and ye lease sealed which was accordingly done and delivered by the Governor in open court as the act & deed of ye comp.

The state of cash being under consideration and ye treasurer not being present ye board was informed that ye treasurer had sent his servant to acquaint them that as yet had not received any moneys of ye arrears due for ye 2nd payment & that still remained £95 due from ye following persons.

Mr George Moore	£50	For	50 Shares
Mr John Barkstead	£10	For	10
Mr John Franke	£10	For	10
Francis Baker Esq	£15	For	15
Mr Math Fowler	£10	For	10
In all	£95		95 Shares

Said Treasurer also by his servant sent an account of what money had received of ye 3d payment which was as followeth.

Constantine Vernatti	£10	For	10
Thomas Renda	£20		20
Henry Tate	£10		10
William Bawmer	£10		10
Henry Austin	£20		20
Rich Owen Esq Govr	£50		50
Mathias Cupper	£25		25
Richd Adams	£30		30
Carried over	£175		175 shares

The following were also paid to his man at this office Viz.

William Moore	£25	25
Edward Leneve	£15	15

Frans Parry Esq	£40	40
George Clerke Esq	£20	20
Thomas Nix	£10	10
	£285	285 shares
Defaulters not paid		
Mr George Moore	£50	50
Mr John Barkstead	£10	10
Mr Math Fowler	£10	10
Francis Baker Esq	£15	15
Sr Henry Marwood		
in the country	£15	15
Mr Addison ditto	£20	20
John Henley	£20	20
Francis Scobell Esq	£15	15
John Moore	£50	50
	£500	For 500

Ordered. That Mr Goodhands bill of ye 17th June last for £100 favouring commissioners of ye excise be paid which was accordingly drawn in a warrant on ye treasurer.

Ordered. That £60 be drawn for Petty cash out of which ye secretary is to pay ye rent & lease of Sadlers hall and all London Salarys which was accordingly done and a warrant signed.

Ordered. That the Pattent of Incorporation and ye Common Seale of this Company be delivered to ye present Governor to keep and secure for ye use of the company in trust for all ye members and accordingly said seal was delivered said Governor and ye Pattent also.

That all persons in arrears for ye last payment (excepting those that are in arrears on ye second payment) be summond to pay in their quota by Thursday next on ye penalty of 5s for every ten shares over & above ye 5s for every ten shares already forfeited,

Thursday the 27th July 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

To write Mr Charles Goodhand

That he advise the price of lead at what price he sells and what quantity hath sold and that as finds an opportunity to go buying up of lead ore and smelting it and if can to imploy 2 furnaces,

That ye company are informed there is a small Cupola above ye Bridge att Bristol which adventure may be prejudice all to their interest that they are informed that it will be sold or rented that he therefore with all caution & prudence enquire about & inform ye comp on what terms it may be purchased when they will take some resolution thereon

To write Mr William Leeke

That as to ye Lead ore he writes to Mr Moore about ye company will buy it provided he will warrant it as good as that he shipt before so that he may send it immediately to Bristol and draw his bill on ye company for ye money and they will pay it.

Ordered. That a warrant be drawneon ye treasurer for £100 to pay Mr Goodhand bill dated the 15th Ultimo which was accordingly drawn.

The treasurer acquainted this board that had received only £20 off Mr John Hanly since last court it was.

Ordered. That all defaulters on ye 3d payment be summoned to pay in their money by Thursday on penaltie of 5s for every tenn shares besides those already forfeited.
Ordered. That ye account of ye Cupola be stated and laid before the board next court.

Thursday the 4th August 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

To write Mr Charles Goodhand

That ye company observes how dull ye faire proves and ye little demand of lead.

That ye company understand not his meaning about ye custome there of sending 18 draughts to ye tonn and ye difference in ye weights there and your own at ye Cupola so that in his next he must explaine it; and that give the Plumbers wife a Guinea for a fairing.

That he hasten ye smelting ye remainder of Mr Fernihaugh lead ore & send an account of it prouduce & charges that the company knowing ye loss may demand satisfaction.

That he enquire at a distance if ye men that worke at ye Cupola may be brought over and engaged to ye company service on what terms that if be easier buying or renting said Cupola they may come to some resolution therein.

A letter from Wm Leeke to Richard Richards (about some lead ore he had bought which he was willing to sell ye company) being read at ye board it was.

Ordered. That Wm Leeke be writt to that provided ye ore be as good as that he sent some months age they will buy it so that he may ship it immediately for Bristol as did ye former & send up your bill of ye charges & they will pay it to his order here.

Mr Adams ye treasurer being absent sent word to ye board that Frans Scobell Esq had since last court paid in his £15 for his 15 shares and that received nothing more whereon it was.

Ordered. That ye summons be renewed to all ye defaulters on ye last paymt on ye usual penalties.

Thursday the 10th August 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

To Mr Charles Goodhand

That ye comp do observe what he says about ye upper Cupola & have seen ye proposals made and when ye Gentlemen come to him again he may tell them that his friend hath received their proposals and will consider of them.

That his bill of Exchange is accepted but much wonder he did not advise of it.

The treasurer not being here no account was given of what moneys (if any) received since last court and therefore.

Ordered. That notice be given to all the defaulters that their penalties continue at 5s for every ten shares each week.

Ordered. That the secretary write Sir Henry Marwood and desire him to pay in his arrears.

Thursday the 17th August 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

To write Mr Wm Leeke

That his bill is paid & that next post ye company will give him an answer to ye slags.

The ore slag and old iron remaining ye workes which were in dispute between Talbot Clerke Esq and Mr John Cary being now decided this board do agree to take them at ye following prices mentioned in the award viz.

Old Iron at five pound per ton

Blew lead ore at £5 per ton

Green ore at £2 10s per ton

Slag at £2 per ton

Ordered. That Mr Goodhand be writt to accordingly & that he advise of the particulars and send an exact account thereof.

The treasurer not being present & no account of any more moneys paid in the arrears due fell under consideration and then was.

Ordered. That Capt. Leneve and Nix be desired to take ye heads of the Charter a copy of ye Preamble and what more papers they may have occasion and give them to some learned council in ye law and get his opinion thereon as to what power the company have to call in their arrears &c.

Several members having informed ye board that Sir Carbery Price and partners were desirous to treat with this board on some terms about there lead are it was.

Ordered. That the Governor Thomas Addison Esq, Talbot Clerke Esq, Francis Parry Esq, Henry Tate, Capt. Leneve be desired to meet said Gentlemen and here their proposals report them to this board at their next sitting.

Ordered. That a warrant be drawn on ye treasurer for £18 to pay Mr Leekes bill which was accordingly drawn.

Thomas Addison Esq being but now come to town assured the board would pay in his money against next court.

Thursday the 24th August 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

That as to ye 60 tons of lead ore he advises about the company leave it to his discretion to buy it as he thinks fit.

To write Mr William Leeke

That the board have under their consideration the slag and old iron and in a post or two he shall have an answer.

Capt. Nix Informed ye board that heard Capt. Leneve had left ye charter & other papers with Sir Bart Showre who promise to give his opinion thereon in writing by Monday next.

Thomas Addison Esq Reports to the board that they had discoursed Sir Carbery Price and partners who have under consideration the proposal they made them.

A warrant was drawn on the treasurer for £20 for Petty Cash.

Thursday the 31st August 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

Talbot Clerke Esq acquainted ye board that a parcel of slags that lay at Bristol which this board agreed ye 28 January last to take of him on ye conditions therein mentioned he had since that made a new agreemt for them att 20s per ton & propose to let ye company have them at that price It was agreed That this board will take said slag at 20s per ton provided that on Tryall they be worth it and thereon it was.

Ordered. To write Mr Charles Goodhand That he take an exact account of ye said slag and then take five tons as they rise & worke it appropriately giving an account of ye charge in smelting and ye quantity of lead it yields.

That he go finishing the smelting of Mr Fernihaughs ore.

To write Mr William Leeke.

That the company have agreed with Mr Clarke for ye lead slaggs at Bristol and given orders to receive and pay for it so soon as any one will deliver them.

Capt. Leneve acquaints the board that as yet had not got ye lawyer opinion about ye Charter &c. but hoped to get it by next Court.

That nothing had part more with Sir Carbery Price and partners since last court.

The state of cash being under consideration enquiry was made & what sums were in arrears & who were ye defaulters which were as followeth viz.

Mr George Moore	2 payments	£100	50	Shares
Mr John Franke	ditto	£20	10	
Mr John Barkstead	ditto	£20	10	
Mr Matthias Fowler	ditto	£20	10	
Francis Baker Esq	ditto	£30	15	
Mr John Moore	1st payment	£50	50	
Thomas Addison Esq		£20	20	
Sir Henry Marwood		£15	15	

Resolved That next court this board will further consider ye state of cash and consider of arrears due when have ye advise of a lawyer how far ye powers in ye Charter will extend.

Thursday the 7th September 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

To write Mr Sumers That since nothing can be done there the Gentlemen holding up the price of their ores that he returne.

To write Mr Wm Fernihaugh that when ye company have smelted his 61 tons of what he calls ores and have seen the charge and produce and that account cleared according to contract and his repeated promises they will then proceed to further contracts.

To Mr Charles Goodhand That he agree for ye Lady Coblestons ore as he thinkes fit which ye company leave to him to do as he may in prudence judge most for their advantage.

To Mr John Emmerton That the company are sorry to hear he is disappointed in his mines a fate incident to all miners but if send better success in his further tryalls and think it worth his while to make any proposals ye company will consider of them &c.

Capt. Leneve gave to ye board Sir Bart Showres council at law his opinion in writing about ye company Charter & ye powers they had & which being read it was.

Ordered. That said opinion of council be further considered of at next meeting of this board.

Thursday the 14th September 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

To write Mr Charles Goodhand that since ye slaggs at Bristol prove so very bad that he meddle not with them till further order.

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That he let ye company have a state of his cash what lead sold and what money received and how laid out.

That he complete ye smelting of Mr Fernihaughs ore & take care of the Lady Coblestons ore. The board having again Considered of ye arrears due for money ordered to be raised and yet standing out ye advice of council at law was again read at ye board & after a serious debate itt was.

Ordered. That summons be sent to all ye defaulters that have not paid in their moneys ordered to be raised to pay it on or before ye 21st Inst or else do come to ye board to show cause to ye contrary and on failure of both ye company will ye very day disfranchise them. This board having on ye 17th August last agreed with Talbot Clerke Esq to buy of him ye lead res slaggs and old iron that are at ye Cupola and were in dispute between him and Mr John Cary.

Capt. Tate gave to ye board a letter he received from Mr Cary that ye company which being read it was debated and then.

Ordered. That Capt Tate be desired to write to Mr Cary that ye company have some account depending with Esq Clerke will be adjusted in 10 or 14 days and the company will order him to be paid.

The state of cash being under consideration ye treasurer reporting that no money was paid in but Mr Addison had paid in 20s since last court and severall bills being due it was.

Resolved That a sum of mony should be raised & ye question being if 20s should be raised or not & when should be paid; it was put to ye vote & by majority of votes it was.

Agreed to that 20s per share should be raised to be paid on or before ye 28th day of this Instant and thereon it was.

Ordered. That summons be given out accordingly to each member to pay in their quota at 20s per share as ordered.

Thursday the 21st September 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

None of ye Gentlemen defaulters having paid in their arrears or appeared this day to shew cause to ye contrary it fell under consideration and in regard some might be out of town it was.

Ordered. That the suspension of ye disfranchising the defaulters be referred to ye next court to be held the 28th Instant.

To Mr Charles Goodhand.

That The Company approves of his buying the Lady Coblestones ore which he must get in so soon as can.

That the account of cash formerly ordered must be sent each month.

The Courts of 28th September, 5th October and 12th October 1693 were adjourned.

Thursday the 19th October 1693 LLC 1

To write Mr Goodhand

The account he sends of the smelting of Fernihaughs ore is a computation not an account he must therefore send an exact account of all particulars of the charges he hath been at in smelting that parcel of ore, and what lead it produced and then in an account apart give them the account of the extraordinary charges in smelting it, more than if it had been good and merchantable from both which ye Company can best state the account here and lett that have it at the very first opportunity. Mr Fernihaugh pressing for it and continues his promise of making amends.

That he keep the furnaces going by buying what ore he can and smelting the ore bought of the Lady Coblestone.

His accounts are desired and wanted; and with them he must send an account of what lead hath been made, what sold and to whome, and at what price, with what remains unsold; and Debts if any standing out which will be satisfactory to the Company to know how their affaires stand there.

To write Mr William Fernihaugh.

That in a post or two he shall have the account he desires of the small stuffe smelted and when that concerne is cleared the Company will be ready to enter into new contracts &c.

To write Mr William Leeke

The slaggs at Bristoll not answering in their yield to the character Mr Clerke gave of them; the Company have no further concerne in that affaire which if they had they would have received and paid for.

The consideration of the defaulters being under debate it was.

Ordered. That Capt. Leneve and Mr Goodall be desired to get Mr Councillor Finch his opinion under his hand, about the power granted in the Charter; and that they give a Fee as they thinke fit, and that this board may more regularly proceed it was.

Resolved. That a General Court be summonsd and consulted in the particular relating to those members that have not paid in their moneys and thereon it was.

Ordered. That summons be sent out to all the members for a General Court to be held on Thursday the 2nd November att 4 in the afternoone.

Ordered. That an account be drawn out of the quantity of ore and slag with the price and sum it amounts to, which the company have agreed to buy of Talbot Clerke Esq being the parcel that was in dispute between him and Capt. Carrey and that a warrant be prepared for the same against next Court and that Talbot Clerke Esq be desired to come to the board next court to give a receipt accordingly.

Ordered. That The Treasurer be desired to bring or send an account of what money he received of the last 20s per share ordered to be raised.

Thursday the 19th October 1693 att 4 in the Afternoon LLC 1

It being past five and the Governor not coming the Present members opened the letters received and directed.

That a letter be writt to Mr William Fernihaugh.

That he advise what price he values his ores at that he mentions he would load the ship with, with its goodness and that he answer per next post.

The members present (the Governour and Deputy Governor being both absent) not being qualified as directed by the Charter to proceed further business.

The members present refer all matters to the General Court.

Thursday the 19th October 1693 att 4 in the Afternoon LLC 1

A General Court

The Governor acquainted this Court of the cause that induced the Court of assistants to call it which was to consider what measurers to take for the raising of moneys to carry on the affaires of the joint stocke and how to proceed with the members that had not paid in their moneys according to the several orders made, which falling under consideration

The opinion of learned council at law under the hand of Sir Bartholomew Shores and Mr Henry Finch, separate were read at the board; and after a long and serious debate of that particular and several others that occurred relating to the present state of the Joint Stocke.

The Question was put if any of the defaulters and how many should be prosecuted or not and.

It was by majority of votes agreed to.

That Messrs' John Barkstead, John Franke, Mathias Fowler, and Francis Baker

Be prosecuted in Chancery according to Mr Finch his opinion, and that Mr Thomas Renda be desired and is hereby ordered and Empowered to doe it, which he promised to take to his care; and from time to time.

To render an account of what proceedings he should make therein.

The state of cash being next under consideration and the debts due from the company. It was after a full debate.

Ordered. That the payment of the last 20s per share ordered the 14th of September last to be raised and paid be and is hereby respited from being paid till further order from the Governor and court of assistants.

And in order to payments of bills drawn and what the company owe it is further.

Ordered. That Mr Charles Goodhand be writt to.

That he immediately on receipt of this order do sell fifty or sixty tunns of lead at the market price for present money; and advise the price current it bears and what he sells and at what price and that on no score whatsoever he dispose of any of the moneys he may receive for the lead sold but lett it be lodged safe till the Company further order.

Several proposals having been made to the Court of assistants for to rent the company's office for some Gentlemen to meet on other days when their board do not hold a court, it was under debate and afterwards was unanimously agreed to and

Ordered. That the court of assistants de lett the said Hall on the best terms they can as they may think fit but not under £20 per ann. And it is further.

Ordered. That no court of assistants shall be called till further order from the Governor and that what letters may be received be carried by the secretary to the Governor and then communicated to such or so many of the assistants as may be found; and by the Governor or them answered and if any thing material do occur that Then a court be called accordingly.

And that the court money as usual be either paid or respited as the Governor and majority of assistants in a court assembled may think fit.

The secretary informing the board that there was want of Petty cash it was.

Ordered. That a warrant be drawn on the Treasurer for £20 for Petty cash, and then

This General Court was by the Governor and members present dissolved and devolved into a Court of assistants who do.

Adjourned to Thursday the 7th Instant and then to meet or the adjournment to be continued as the Governor may think fit

Memorandum. The warrant for the £20 ordered for petty cash was not signed.

Thursday the 21st December 1693 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

Ordered. That a General Court be called to meet on Thursday the 4th January next, at 4 in the afternoon, to choose a Governor, Deputy Governor, and court of Assistants' for the year insueing of which Ten Days notice is to be given, and summons sent out accordingly.

To Mr Goodhand. That he go selling all the lead he can against Sir Pauls Faire, and that he do prepare and send up all his accounts, and what lead he hath in being and moneys in cash; and lett his accounts come in these particulars viz.

A General account of all ores he had bought and received.

What lead they have produced.

What lead sold at what price and what money received for it.

What Lead remains

What ore and slag remains at Date of his account

And the whole charge he hath been at since he entered into the company's service that by it they may see the state of their concerns there; and balance of cash in his hand. And that he pay no more salary till further order from this Board.

Thursday the 4th January 1694 LLC 1

A General Court

To write to Mr Charles Goodhand. That the company approved of the ore bought; that Sir Talbot Clerke will write Mr Dunston and Summers about his agreement with them, and when he receives their answer the company will give further orders.

Ordered. That Sir Talbot Clerke be desired to write Messrs Dunston and Summers about their salaries and endeavour to get their answer.

Ordered. That Sir Talbot Clerke Bart, Thomas Addison Esq, and Francis Scobell Esq, be desired to treat with Sir Carbery Price and partners about their ore and propose to give them

The Board having under consideration the money due from the severall defaulters and the messenger being called to the Board and declaring to them that he did by Order of Court of the 14th September last leave in Writing at Messrs Jno Frank, Jno Barkstead, Mathew Fowler and Francis Baker Esq at their respective houses A Summons to them to pay in what they were in arrears to the company on or before the 21th September last past; or else to come to the Board to show cause why they did not pay it; and on failure of both that the company would that very day disfranchise them, which Note were signed by the secretary Richard Richards. And this he the said Jno Fearnhead is ready to Avert upon Oath' and hath here unto set his hand.

The question being put if Francis Baker Esq, Mr Jno Barkstead, Mr Jno Franke and Mathew Fowler, shall be disfranchised or not.

It was by majority of votes agreed to that the said Francis Baker Esq Mr Jno Barkstead, Mr Jno Franke and Mr Mathew Fowler be and are hereby disfranchised.
and it is

Ordered. That Francis Baker Esq, Mr Jno Barkstead, Mr Jno Franke and Mr Mathew Fowler are disfranchised and that their shares be detained for the use of the company.

Ordered. That out of the first money that shall be raised and paid into the Treasurer one hundred and seventy five pounds be paid to Mr John Cary on Sir Talbot Clerks account in part of.

Ordered. That a Bill of sale of 30 Tunns of Lead be made by this board to Mr Richard Adams and Mr Thomas Renda in consideration of £245 due to Sir Talbot Clerke; the surplus to be returned.

The court then proceeded to the Election of a Governor Deputy Governor and Court of Assistants for the year ensuing; And by unanimous consent of the whole Court the following members were elected to serve for the Year ensuing. Viz.

Richard Owen Esq Governor

Thomas Addison Esq Deputy Governor

Richard Adams Treasurer

Sir Talbot Clerke Bart

Francis Parry Esq

Francis Scobell Esq

William Bawmer

John Moore

Thomas Renda

Henry Austin

Sir Henry Marwood Barront

Constantine Vernatti Esq

George Clerke Esq

Richard Goodall

Gabriel Glover

John Henley

Mathias Cupper

Captⁿ Henry Tate
George Moore
William Moore

Captⁿ Edward Leneve
Captⁿ Thomas Nix

In all Two and Twenty Members; All which were declared in open Court to be duely chosen for the year ensuing.

And then

The Board being informed that Mr George and Mr John Moore were in arrears to the Company for moneys Ordered to be raised, which they not having refused to pay in although they delayed it. It was

Ordered. That Mr George and Mr Jno Moore be Ordered and have notice given them to pay in their arrears due to the company by the next Court of Assistants. And that till the said moneys be paid in, they be not admitted to sit or act as assistants although they are chosen.

And then it was

Ordered and desired by this board. That Richard Owen Esq, be pleased to take the usual oath's appointed by the charter before the present Lord Mayor. And that when the company's affaires may require it, that he summon a Court of Assistants of the members this day chosen, that after they have taken the oaths they being qualified as directed by the Charter, they may proceed to the management and consideration of the company's concerns.

21st March 1694 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

This day Richard Owen Esq the Governor Elect for the year ensuing took the oath before the right Honourable Sir William Ashurst, Lord Major of the City; And then Ordered that a Court of Assistants be summoned to meet on Thursday the 22th Instant at 4 in the afternoon.

Thursday the 22nd March 1694 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

Present

Richard Owen Esq Governor

Constantine Vernatti Esq, Richard Goodall, Richard Adams, John Henley

These members were all sworn before the Governor Richard Owen Esq and admitted as members of the Court of Assistants; And no other persons coming it was the desire of the Gentlemen present that. The Governour be pleased to summon a Court to meet on Thursday next and acquaint the members that for want of a sufficient number the present members could not proceed on business.

Thursday the 29th March 1694 att 5 in the afternoon LLC 1

George Clerke Esq, Thomas Addison Esq, Edward Leneve, Capt. Thomas Nix and Mr Henry Austin were all sworn before the Governor and being then qualified for to serve as directed by the Charter; they commenced a Court of Assistants.

Ordered. To write to Mr Goodhand

That he receives and secures Mr Fernihaugh's Ore, and pay the Master his freight. And the company will afterwards discourse Mr William Fernihaugh about paying for it.

Enquiry being made if any member or members had treated or discoursed with Sir Carbery Price as ordered last Court. The board was by several members informed that nothing was effected.

The state of cash and stock being laid before this board and falling under consideration It was Ordered. That the order made the 14th September last for raising 20s per share which by order of the 2nd November following was respited till further order; be and is hereby revoked and made void. And it is further ordered that the Treasurer return to each member what moneys they may have paid him, on account of the said Twenty shillings per share.

The state of debts due from the company to several persons being under consideration it was after some time spent therein.

Resolved. That the one hundred and fifty pound Bills drawn long since by Mr Charles Goodhand, favour the commissioners of the Excise, be repaid again by The drawer upon which it was

Ordered. To write to the said Mr Goodhand,

That he having now a stock of Lead and ore by him, the company question not but he will manage it so, as not only to keep the furnaces going and smelting of the ore, and selling of the Lead at the best prices he can, and save money to buy more ore; but also to raise a sum of money to lay by till he receive the company's orders being there is his one hundred and fifty pound bills unpaid here, which the company will hereafter give him orders to repay there, so that he must go selling of lead to make provisions accordingly.

Mr Peters attended the Board from the Coalery Society desiring to have a lease of the Company's Court room and out room to use two days in a week; for which he offered £20 per Annum for three years, and to have the use of the company's furniture, And that their Society would furnish this Company with coales for the use of their Office at their several meetings; which having proposed and being desired to withdraw: The said Proposals was under consideration and after some debate It was unanimously agreed to and.

Resolved. That this board will let the said Society their Court Room and Middle Room with the use of their furniture & tables &c. two days in a week for Three years at £20 per Annum, and Ten pound fine under the same covenants and conditions as they hold it by lease from the Sadlers Company and not under, whereon Mr Peters being called to the board and acquainted with their resolutions of letting his society the hall, which was read to him, and he desiring leave and time to acquaint his society with it; It was granted him and his answer is expected by the next sitting of this board, and thereon it was.

Ordered. That on the said Mr Peters acceptance of the Terms proposed the secretary let them have the use of the Hall Wednesdays and Fridays.

They make use of the same Chare woman as the company do. To clean and look after all the company's furniture; And that articles of agreement with personal security on the secretary's part be prepared, to be approved and executed at the next sitting of this board.

Mr Dunstons and Summers being come from Bristol, and attending the board were called in. and they acquainted this board that they came to town on purpose to demand their wages and salary's due to them, with several other complaints of irregularities done at the workes. And the company not having given them any orders to come up it was returned them for answer as the resolution of this board. That if they owned themselves in the company's service they ought not to have quitted it without their leave and order; and that as to their salary's due to them they could say but little till they had writt to Mr Goodhand and received his answer. And then the board would further consider of that matter. And they being ordered to withdraw it was.

Ordered. To write Mr Charles Goodhand.

That Dunston and Summers are come up, and have demanded their wages, and complained of some irregularities past there, that he therefore write the company a particular Account how they have deputed themselves there and the reasons why they have left the company's service without their notice or leave and what wages is due to either of them, the company computing their wages to end the very day they left the company's service. And also if the company have received any detriment or damage by their withdrawing themselves from the workes; in all which he must be just and particular.

That he send the company word forthwith whither he can get a man to mend and repair the furnaces or not, and let the company have his advice (In all particulars) per very first, that so they may take their measures accordingly.

Ordered. That a Court of Assistants be summoned to meet as the company affaires may require, and the Governor may Order; and till then this court is adjourned.

Thursday 27th December 1694 LLC 1

Ordered. That a General Court be summon'd to meet on Thursday next at Four in the afternoon, to choose a Governour, Deputy Governor, and Court of assistants for the year insueing; and that all persons concerned be desired to appear it being absolutely necessary for the preservation of the Charter .

The state of the company's cash and stock being laid before the board the further consideration thereof is referred to the General Court.

Thursday 3rd January 1695 att 4 in the afternoon LLC 1

A General Court

Mr John Carey attended the Board, and being called in after much discourse about the one hundred seventy five pound due to him for ore Iron and slag at the workes at Bristol, it was agreed to by the Board and him, and thereon,

Ordered. That on Mr Carey's bringing Sir Talbot Clerkes order to this board for £175 to be paid in Lead at Brtistol at nine pound per tunn, the company will give him a bill on Mr Goodhand for said sum in Lead, said John Carey dischargeing the company from all claim's whatsoever, and that Mr John Henley be desired to assist at the adjusting of the said concern.

Ordered. That Mr Charles Goodhand be ordered to remitt the company by Bill fourty five pound payable to the Governor and that on receipt of said money it be paid to the Sadlers Company for one year and a half rent due for the Hall the 25th December last.

The state of cash and stock was laid before the board and read and referr'd to the first meeting that Sir Talbot Clerke can attend at the board.

To write Mr Goodhand

That he send up all his accounts to a day with what lead, ores, slag and Iron remaines at the workes.

The members present proceeded next to the choice of a Governor, Deputy Governor and Court of Assistants for the yeare ensueing, and by unanimous consent it was agreed to (nimine contradicente)

That Richard Owen Esq be and is the present Governor

Thomas Addison Esq, Deputy Governor, and all the same Members of the Court of Assistants as last year.

25th February 1695 LLC 1

This day Richard Owen Esq Governor, was sworn before the Right Honble Sr Thomas Lane Lord Mayor of this City; and by his order the last General Court is devolved into a Court of Assistants, and appointed to meet on Friday the first day of March Anno 1695

Thursday 1st March 1695 att 4 in the afternoon LLC 1

To write Mr Charles Goodhand. That he work up all the ore, iron and slag at the workes, and reduce it into Lead, and that he buy up no more ore, or lay out any more money till further order from the board.

The company much wonder at the small produce of lead made by him at his last operation, and do expect he make good the same produce as usuall.

As to the Lead he sold to Mr Tuther he must look after it and recover the money for it, for the company ordered him to sell their Lead at the market price for ready money, and to trust no body – and that he sell no more Lead to any person at any price without further order. The state of cash and stock was laid before the board and read, and thereon.

Ordered. That Sir Henry Marwood, Capt Edward Leneve, Mr John Moore and Mr Thomas Nix, or any two of them, be and are constituted and appointed a committee to examine all Mr Goodhands accounts, and report to the board their opinion thereon, that so they may be entered into the company's General Books.

Ordered. That Mr Thomas Renda's friends may have liberty to meet at this office on the 15th of this instant March.

Ordered. That Sr Talbot Clerke be requested and desired to meet this board at their next sitting, in order to consult the joint concernes of the company.

Thursday 4th April 1695 LLC 1**At a Committee**

Present

Sir Henry Marwood Bart

Capt Edward Leneve

Capt Thomas Nix

The Gentlemen present having met according to the order of the last Court of Assistants and made some enquiry into the present state of affaires; they, thinking it for the good and interest of the joint concerne,

Resolved. That the Governor or Deputy Governor should be desired to call a General Court with all convenient speed, in order to consider the most effectual means to abridge and put a stop to the present growing charge, which by a cursory view of Mr Goodhands Accounts, they find to be very great; and little or nothing done for it, the further consideration of which accounts are referr'd till further order from the General Court.

6 April 1695

By order sent by the messenger from the Governor Richard Owen Esq a General Court is ordered to be held on Thursday the 11th Instant at 4 in the evening.

Thursday 11th April 1695 att 4 in the afternoon LLC 1

The messenger being called to the board and declared that he had given due summons to all members of a General Court meeting this day and it being now past five a Clock, the board proceeded to business.

The board had under consideration the present state of their stock and affaires, in which much time being spent, and Talbot Clerk not coming to the board it was.

Resolved & Ordered. That Thomas Addison Esq, Sir Henry Marwood, Capt Edward LeNeve and Capt Thomas Nix be desired to meet Sir Talbot Clerk and discourse him about the joint concerne of the company in order to have his — concurrence at the next General Court, which is to be summonsd as the Governor may order, and the above Gentlemen and the said Sir Talbot Clerk may agree to.

Ordered. That Mr Richard Adams the present treasurer be ordered and desired to meet at the next sitting of this board in order to adjust and settle his treasury cash and bring the balance as the company may direct.

To write Mr Goodhand,

That the company are informed, that Lead will in a little time rise in its price, for which cause they continue their former orders, that he sell no more of the company's lead; but in that interim he must inform himselfe what quantity of lead ore may be bought, and at what price; that so the company may when think convenient, give orders for the buying it up.

That he take the first opportunity of exchange and remitt to them one hundred and twenty pounds payable to Constantine Vernatti Esq or his order for the use of the company.

That he defer the Smelting of the Green ore till further order, since it proves so poor chargeable and pernicious.

Tuesday 16th April 1695 at 4 in the afternoon LLC 1**A General Court**

The treasury cash booke was laid before the board, and the balance being twenty-two pounds one shilling and four pence; the treasurer owned it, and said he was ready to pay it as the Board may order.

Ordered. That out of the balance in the Treasurer's hand, the following sums be paid Viz.

To Rent for the Hall one quarter	£7	10	00
To Capt Edward LeNeve (being expended for Council)	£1	02	00
To Balance Petty Cash	£4	00	05
To the Charewoman in full	£0	15	00
To the Stationer	£3	10	00
To the Chandler	£0	17	00
To the Woodmonger	£0	16	00
	18	10	05

Sir Talbot Clerk not being paid the two hundred fourty eight pound due to him for the Lead, Ores, Slagg &c., which remained at Bristol, as ordered the 3rd January last, and he desiring that affair might be ended, in regard that Mr John Carey much prest for it, after some time spent therein it was.

Ordered. That an order be sent to Mr Charles Goodhand that he deliver to Sir Talbot Clerk Barrt, 26 Tunns 6cwt 3qr 12 lb of Lead at £8 15s per tunn, which imports £230 10s, which with £17 10s, he stands debtor for in the company's books, which is still in dispute, makes two

hundred fourty eight pounds the sum due to him for said ore &c. And on receipt of said Lead or an order for it Sir Talbot Clerk to give a receipt for so much paid him on accountt. And then the present members devolved into a Court of Assistants.

Tuesday 16th April 1695 LLC 1

Court of Assistants

A warrant was drawn on the Treasurer for £22 1s 4d favour Richard Richards for Petty Cash to be paid as ordered by the General Court.

A warrant was drawn on Mr Charles Goodhand for 26 tunns 6cwt 2q 12 lb of lead to be delivered to Sir Talbot Clerk as ordered by the General Court held this day; and accordingly Sir Talbot Clerk gave a Receipt for the same.

Thursday 23rd May 1695 at 4 in the afternoon LLC 1

A General Court

Sir Talbot Clerk Bart having sent a message to Thomas Addison Esq that he could not come, the members present.

Ordered. That the secretary write to Sr Talbot Clerke.

To Sir Talbot Clerk

That according to his appointment the General Court have met, and do very much resent his not meeting them. That the Governor is not well, and the Deputy Governor concerns in his Majesties service obliges him to take a journey into the Country on Monday next, yet in consideration that Mr Goodhand continues to send them up a monthly charge of twenty pound and nothing done for it, notwithstanding he had repeated orders to the contrary, he is willing to oblige the company & stay till Tuesday morning, and hath ordered a General Court to be summonsd on Monday next at four in the afternoone, when they desire he will please to meet them to put a stop to the endless growing charge and dead loss; and that in case he be so unkind as to disappoint them as hitherto the blame will justly lie at his door, and they will expect that all future charges be for his account not theirs.

Ordered. That a General Court be summonsd to meet on Monday next at four in the afternoon, and that particular summons be sent out accordingly.

Monday the 27th May 1695 att 4 in the afternoon LLC 1

A General Court

Ordered. That the secretary wait on the Sadlers Company, and desire them from this Board to take the surrender of the Lease of the Hall at Midsummer next.

The state of Stock and Cash at Rownham Cupola nere Bristol was next under consideration, and an Abstract of Mr Goodhands Accounts being laid before the board, after much time spent in and after severall debates it was

Resolved and Ordered. That Thomas Addison Esq be desired to go down to Bristol to demand and account from Mr Charles Goodhand of all goods, moneys &c., due (and belonging) to the company according to his own accounts sent up and that he use all such ways and means to compel him thereto, as he shall thinke fit. And That whatsoever the said Mr Addison may act or do in that affaيرة the company do by this, and will at all times ratify and confirm as their own act and deed, and allow and pay him all his expences and charges, and gratify him for his (journeys &c) great paines and care in this affaيرة. And that the

secretary deliver him an abstract of said Goodhands accounts, his bond; and all other papers relating to said Account.

And that Mr Renda be desired to take out two writs against the said Charles Goodhand, and deliver them to said Thomas Addison Esq, to make case of as he pleases and that said Goodhand and all others as he shall think fit and leave such person (or persons) in possession as he think most convenient & proper. And that in pursueant to the above order a letter of Attourney be passed by the Governor under the common seale of the company, and delivered to Thomas Addison Esq.

Ordered. That an Inventory be taken of all the Company's furniture (in part of Sadlers Hall), and that messrs John Moore, Capt Thomas Nix and Richard Richards the company's secretary be and are hereby ordered and empowered to sell and dispose of them to those persons which will give most money for them, and that they make a report to the next Court of their proceedings in the affair.

Memoranda

This 29th May 1695 In compliance with the above order of Court, was sealed and delivered by the Governor a Deputation to Thomas Addison Esq under the company's common seal, which was sent to Thomas Addison Esq with the follow papers. Viz.

Mr Goodhand and Mr Bramston's Bond five hundred pound penalty

Mr Goodhand and Mr Fernihaugh's Bond five hundred pound penalty

An abstract of Mr Goodhands Accompts the Debtor side importing £3081 11s 0

The Credit £2807 14s 8¾

The Balance due to the company this 30th May 1695 is £273 16s 1¼

Mr Goodhands account dated 25th March last with goods in ser.—

Ditto's Inventory of goods at the Cupola and the lead made and sold

Mr Goodhands Account Currant to the 25th March last

Ditto's Account for the month of April

Ditto's Letters of the 18 February and the 15th and 17th April

The Company's Power under their common seal.

Thursday the 4th July 1695 LLC 1

The letters and accompts received from Thomas Addison Esq at Bristol & Mr Goodhands letter were all read at the board.

The state of stock and cash was under consideration; and in regard that severall members are now in arrears for moneys raised on their shares, and refuse to pay in the last twenty shillings per share ordered to be raised.

It was Resolved and Ordered. That twenty shillings per share be repaid (by the company's treasurer) to all those members, which have paid in their full twenty shillings per share, last ordered to be paid in, (as per order of Court made the 22th day of June 1693), out of what arrears of stock may or shall be recovered and paid in and it was further.

Ordered. That Richard Owen Esq the present Governor, Const Vernatti Esq, George Clerke Esq Messrs Thomas Renda, John Moore, and Capt Thomas Nix, or any three of them, be (and are hereby constituted and appointed) a Committee to examine all accounts, to call debts due to the company, and (if have occasion) to sue for them, to dispose of the company's goods and furniture belonging to the Hall, to pay all arrears of rent, and salaries; and also to repay the aforesaid 20s p share (or so much of it as they can) to the above mentioned members, as soon

as ever they are in cash and (they or any three of them are hereby empowered) to call for, and examine all the company's books & papers and settle all accounts whatsoever, as from time to time they may think fit.

Ordered. That Capt Thomas Nix be desired to meet Mr Bellamy (or any other person) and treat with them, in order to make a disposal of the Company's goods at the highest price he can reporting to the Committee this day appointed, what he may act or do therein.

The Sadlers Company came to the Board to demand fifteen pound, which was due to them for half a yeares rent, who having a mind to buy the company's goods in the Hall (the Company having before given them a schedule of the particulars and valued them at fourty pound) they desired to have the refusal of them till Monday next, whereupon it was

Ordered. That the Sadlers company have the refusal of this company's goods at fourty pound till Monday next; but if they will not give so much for them that then Constantine Vernatti's friend may have the refusal of them at the same price of fouty pound.

21st October 1695 at 3 in the afternoon LLC 1

A General Court

The Governour acquainted the board, that Mr William Fernihaugh had entered an action against him and the secretary in two hundred pounds on pretention of moneys due to him from the company for lead ore sold them and delivered to their agent at Bristol; whereas said Fernihaugh stands debtor to the company thirty one pounds odd mony, the matter being fully debated, and this account laid before the board, after much time spent thereon, it was.

Resolved. That the company will defend the Governor and Secretary from all presentations of said Mr Fernihaugh whatsoever, and thereon

Ordered. That Mr Penhalloe be imployed as and Attourney to defend the Governor and secretary, and to give in an appearance for them or either of them at the suite of William Fernihaugh; and that (as occasion offers) he be imployed to defend the rest of the members of this company against the pretentions of all persons for any debts due from the company; and further that the secretary deliver to said Fernihaugh (or to his attourney) his account this day laid before the board, and that he also receive from Mr Fernihaugh an account that he pretends to have with the company.

Ordered. That Mr Penhalloe do enter and action against William Fernihuagh for five hundred pounds on bond, at suite of the Company – That ye secretary attend Mr Penhalloe in this matter.

Ordered. That the moneys which hath been already disburst by Mr Thomas Renda or may be expended in this suite, be paid out of the twenty eight pounds in Mr Vernatties hands.

The debt contracted at Bristol by Mr Charles Goodhand, and due from Mr Thomas Tuther being under consideration, and Mr Goodhand being called to the board and giving in a letter from said Mr Tuther, which being read, after some debates 'twas

Ordered. That Mr Goodhand do write to Mr Tuther, that if he will send up the composition of Ten shillings in the pound in good bills, payable here to Thomas Addison Esq that he will then procure him a release from the company to discharge him from paying his whole debt.

Ordered. That the secretary waite on Mr Renda tomorrow at nine a Clock in the morning, to go to Mr Penhalloe about Mr Fernihaugh's business; & That Mr George Moore be desired to assist and help examine all the company's Books, Papers and Accounts; especially Mr Charles Goodhand's and all things relateing thereunto.

Rummer Taverne Charing Cross Monday the 23 March 1696 LLC1

Ordered. That Capt. Edward Leneve be desired to take the Release this day – approved of by the board to be given to Mr Tuther and carry it to the Governor to be passed under the Common Seal as the deed of the company and then to take said release and receive said Mr Tuthers composition money being seventy pounds fourteen shillings and when received to keep it for the companys use to be paid as hereafter ordered

Ordered. That said Governour seale said lease accordingly

Mr Charles Goodhands account from the 5th of June to the 29th September was laid before the board and allowed he remaining debtor to the company Forty one pounds seventeen shillings and a farthing and such members of the company as paid in the last twenty shillings per share raised

Ordered. That Mr Goodhand give good security for payment of forty pounds in three months to Mr Edward Leneve and on failure that his bond of one thousand pounds be put in suite said bond being delivered to the board and remained in Mr Leneves hand.

The opinion of Sir Barth Shoare and Mr Finch Councill in Law concerning the defaulters was delivered to the board and left in Mr Leneves possession.

Ordered. That upon Mr Goodhands security to Mr Leneve aforesaid the forty pounds to his satisfaction for the use aforesaid.

Capt Leneve ordered and impowered to deliver up his bond and give him a General Release he giving up to said Capt Leneve Commissions all the Bookes and papers relateing to the companys concerns whilst under his care and management.

Ordered. That Capt Leneve do sell the Green Ore and old iron att the Cupola valued at Eighty six pounds fifteen shillings and six pence as in the account Book for One hundred and eighteen at the most he can get to be divided as aforesaid and out of it to pay the rent of the Cupola to the 25th Instant.

Thomas Addison Esq Deputy Governor gave to the board and account of moneys received and paid which the company allow of and there remaining due to balance Eighty three pounds Ten shillings and eight pence to be paid in fifty five Guineas att thirty shillings and the rest silver being five shillings and eight pence.

Ordered. That said Eighty three pounds ten shillings and eight pence in fifty five Guineas at thirty shillings and five shillings and eight pence in silver be paid to Capt Edward Leneve to devide as before ordered in Guineas at five and twenty shillings.

Ordered. That Capt Leneve receive from Mr Vernatti the twenty eight pounds in his hands to be divided as aforesaid.

The mony to be received by Capt Leneve in ready cash is as follows

Of Mr Tuther	70	14	00	
Of Mr Vernatti for goods at Sadlers Hall	28	00	00	
Of Mr Addison. In Fifty five Guineas att 25s	69	07	06	
In silver	00	05	08	<u>69 13 02</u>
				<u>168 07 02</u>
Out of which he is to pay Mr Renda	04	00	00	
For Mr Penhallo	22	18	06	
Mr Richards in full of his account	05	06	03	
Remains				<u>136 02 05</u>

Which sum is this day ordered amongst the several members that paid in the last twenty shillings per share ordered to be paid in which on three hundred and forty att eight shillings

per share is one hundred and thirty six pounds for which they are to give receipts severally for the same.

Remains in the books £00 02s 05d

Which with the money that may be produced from the sixty eight pounds fifteene shillings lead ore at the Cupola when sold must alsoe be divided pro rato to the above members towards the sum of twenty shillings per share to be repaid them as by order of the fourth of July last.

The persons to be paid at eight shillings per share

50 shares	Govr Richard Owen	20	00	00
20	Thomas Addison	08	00	00
40	Francis Parry Esq	16	00	00
30	Richard Adams	12	00	00
20	Henry Austin	08	00	00
20	John Henley	08	00	00
10	Thomas Nix	04	00	00
25	Mathias Cupper	10	00	00
25	William Moore	10	00	00
10	Constantine Vernatti	04	00	00
20	Thomas Renda	08	00	00
10	William Bawmer	04	00	00
15	Edward Leneve	06	00	00
20	George Clerke Esq	08	00	00
10	Henry Tate	04	00	00
<u>15</u>	<u>Francis Scobell</u>	<u>06</u>	<u>00</u>	<u>00</u>
340	Share at eight shillings per share	136	00	00

Ordered. That the charter Seal be delivered by the present Governor to Mr Thomas Renda to whom the Books are delivered.

Ordered. That the lease of the lead workes and the Lord Grandisons article be delivered to Sir Talbot Clerke.

Ordered. That upon Sir Talbot Clerkes payment of Eighty six pounds fifteene shillings and sixpence for the Lead ore and old iron at the workes. The arreares of Rent at the Cupola to the five and twentyeth Instant being deducted. That Sir Talbot Clerke take possession of said Cupola and all the goods tools and utensils therein, or upon Mr Leneves selling the said goods, as above ordered and that Sir Talbot Clerke and the rest of the persons concerned in his five hundred shares do hold and injoy the said workes and goods, and be discharged from all claim thereto by the person subscribing the other five hundred shares chargeable to have raised eighteene pounds per share.

Ordered. That in case Sir Talbot Clerke and the persons concerned in his five hundred shares should act under the present Charter in the Management of said workes that then they shall pay to Mr Thomas Renda for the use of the subscribers of the five hundred shares the one moiety of the charge in obtaining said Charter which cost by the Books One hundred and twenty pounds nineteen shillings and eight pence upon payment whereof said Mr Renda may deliver them said Charter and the seal.

The sum for the seal and Charter to be paid is one hundred and ten pounds eight shillings

Ordered. That Capt Leneve pay the reckoning.

Ordered. Mr Richards deliver to Mr Renda all Bookes and Papers now remaining in his hands.

Ordered. Mr Renda have this days orders fairley entred in the books to be by him kept.
No 4.

Bookes Delivered to Mr Renda Coppy Mr Addisons account

The ledger

The Cash Book

The Minute Book

The Book of Letters and orders

Copy Book of accounts stated

Ledger alphabet

March 23rd 1695/6.

The Minute book of the Committee of The Royal Mines Copper (Volume 2 of this series) ends on the 8th August 1704 so there is a 6 months gap in our knowledge of the developments, which lead to the formation of the new Company.

The minutes of the Committee of the Royal Mines Copper of the 4th April 1704 give the results of the election of the committee for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Esq Chairman

Dr Edward Wright treasurer

Committee members

Peter de Lannoy Esq

Mr Thomas Cooper

Mr Richard Matthew

Mr John Haddon

Mr Cornelius Mason

Mr James Taylor

Mr Jacob Franklin

Mr Nathaniel Matson

Mr Michael Russell

Mr Enoch Floyd

The minutes of the Committee show that Mr Samuel Davis has been a member of the Committee from 1697 to 30th March 1702, he was not re-elected for the year 1702. It appears from the minutes that there was a dispute between the Company and Samuel Davis.

10th February 1701 "Some progress was this day in the adjusting of Samuel Davis's accounts."

10th March 1701 "Ordered. That it be left to Dr Wright & Mr Cornelius Mason to discourse with Mr Samuel Davis about the matter of his 35 shares and report it at next Committee."

14th April 1702 a dividend of 20s was paid to the proprietors but there is a note stating that the warrants for the dividend to Mr Samuel Davis on 50 shares & Mr Hopkins for 5 shares were not signed.

28th April 1702 “Mr Samuel Davis appeared here & acquainted the Committee that he was willing to leave the difference in dispute between him & this Committee, relating to his 35 virgin shares, to arbitration...”

16th June 1702 “The committee attending to last days minute relating to Mr Samuel Davis’s 35 virgin shares have agreed to refer it to two men a committee to choose one and Mr Samuel Davis another, and that he be desired to bring in the name of the person he designs to make choice of for him self & the Committee will nominate a suitable person to join with him, but neither of them be lawyers.”

15th September 1702 “Whereas the difference between Mr Samuel Davis & this Company about paying for the 35 virgin shares was laid before the general meeting of the 12th of May last it was left to the committee to refer it or do therein as they thought fit, and the said Committee on the 126th June last agree with Mr Davis to refer the said difference between him and this Company to Messrs Robert Ruddle & Andrew Prime. It is now this day agreed and ordered to refer the same to Messrs Ruddle & Charles Du Bois of London, Merchant. That bonds of arbitration be prepared, that Peter de Lannoy Esq the Chairman does into the same on account of the Company & that he be indemnified for his so doing, from all trouble & charges, the Penalty to be thousand pounds each, & to give the arbitration two months per the date of the said bond”

22nd October 1702 “The Chairman reported that he with the committee appointed, met Messrs Charles Du Bois & Robert Ruddle, about the matters relating to the difference between Mr Samuel Davis & this Company, the said Davis being also there, & after some hours spent therein, the referees thought fit to adjourn to Thursday next at Waghorn’s Coffee House 3 o’clock in the afternoon.”

29th December 1702 “Mr Samuel Davis being at the committee desired a further time for lengthening the arbitration Bonds they expiring the 6th January last (sic?) which the Committee took into consideration after some debate it was agreed that there be 14 days more added after the said time for the convenience of Mr Du Bois meeting Mr Ruddle.”

19th January 1702, the bond was further lengthened to the 10th February.

There are various references in later minutes of the Royal Mines Copper but no resolution to the case.

The next reference appears in the Court minutes of 9th May 1706, where following a dividend payment of 20s per share “Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have Credit given him in his Account with this company for Fifty pounds, being for a dividend of twenty shillings per share on the fifty shares now in his name in this Company’s books.”

The matter appears to have been resolved by 4th May 1708, “Mr Samuel Davis desiring leave of the Court that he might Transfer all his shares but ten he hath in this Company’s books notwithstanding the Obligation he has under to pay first the debt he owes the Company which now is about One hundred and Six Pounds ten shillings.

Ordered. That the said Mr Samuel Davis be allowed to transfer all his shares except ten upon his executing a Bond or Writing to make good the said payment to this Company in the same manner as if the said shares had remained untransferred. And that the said Ten shares shall not be transferred till the Company is satisfied.”

This was confirmed by the minutes of the 11th May 1708 “The Deputy reported that the persons appointed last Court had received from Mr Samuel Davis a writing to their satisfaction which was now lodged with the treasurer and that accordingly they had allowed him to transfer ten shares to Mr James Tonkes.”

10th February 1705 at the Crown and Cusheon in the Strand LLC 1

Present

Thomas Addison Esq.. Deputy Governor

Thomas Renda Esq..

Capt. Thomas Nix

Sir Humphrey Marwood Bart.

Urban Hall Esq..

Mr. Richard Matthew

Mr. Enoch Floyd

Mr. John Clarke

Peter de Lannoy Esq..

Mr. Samuel Davis

Mr. Thomas Kirby

The last Court Minutes made the 23rd of March 1695 were read and approved.

Mr Thomas Renda acquainted the Court that according to their last order he had received all the Books and Papers that were in the possession of Richard Richards and had given him a Receipt for the same, which this Court doe approve of.

Richard Richards Secretary and Accountant to the Company having delivered up all the books and papers relating to this company, and being employed in other matters and making it his humble request that he may surrender his said imploy of secretary and accountant. And that if this Court are satisfied that he hath faithfully discharged his trust, he may have a release under their common seal.

Ordered. That the said Richard Richards be admitted to surrender his said imploy. And that a Release be drawn & sealed accordingly upon his sealing a release to the company.

Mr Thomas Renda acquainted the Court that neither Sir Talbot Clerke or any others for him have ever since the last Court thought fit to take on them the Patent and pay the £110 8s as ordered by the said Court, and that severall Gentlemen have proposed to pay two shillings per share to each person that shall think fit to transfer them. And severall Adventurers in the joint Stock having already done it, & others inclining to do the same, he desires the opinion & resolution of the court therein.

Whereupon this Court is of opinion that every member hath a liberty to dispose of & transfer his own shares at what price and to whom they please.

This court next under their consideration the Oath usually taken by each person on their admittance into this company, and for the ease & satisfaction of such as may hereafter be admitted He is hereby unanimously agreed to and.

Ordered. That the oath to be taken by all members admitted into the Joynt Stock of this Corporation or that shall be elected Governor, Deputy Governor or Assistant besides the Oaths to the Government shall (instead of the former oath of fidelity to the company) be in the words or to the effect following, Viz^t.

I. A.B. do sincerely promise & swear That I will be faithful to the Governor & Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit coal & Sea coal during my continuance in the Joynt Stock of the said Company.

Ordered. That what moneys remained in Capt. Le Neve's hands or that he was so receive & be accountable for as per order of Court the 23d of March 1695 is hereby declared to be for the use & account of those members that were proprietors at that time & so no others that may since have had shares transferred to them. And that Capt. Le Neve do render and account to Mr Thomas Renda of all he hath received & paid. And pay him the balance for the use aforesaid.

Ordered. That in case Capt. Le Neve refuse to come to account & pay the moneys as is above directed Mr Thomas Renda is hereby desired & empowered to sue him at Law in the Company's name, who will repay all charges, and at all times indemnify the said Thomas Renda for so doing.

The following members were this day admitted into the Joynt Stock of this corporation as members thereof, and took the oaths appointed by the Charter and the oath to the Company Viz.

Urban Hall Esq..	Mr. Richard Matthew
Peter Lannoy Esq..	Mr. Thomas Kirby
Mr. Samuel Davis	Mr. John Clark
Mr. Enoch Floyd	

and then accepted the several shares transferred to them.

The Court proceeded to the election of a Governor in the room of Richard Owen Esq., deceased, and by unanimous consent the choice fell on Mr. Samuel Davis, who is hereby declared to be Governor of the Company, and accordingly he accepted the same and took the oaths appointed by the Charter being administered by the Deputy Governor in open Court. Constantine Vernatti, Richard Goodall, Francis Parry, William Bawmer, John Moore and William Moore (who were severally of the Court of Assistants of the Company) being dead the Court proceeded to the election of others in their place, and the votes were unanimously given for the following persons Viz.

Urban Hall Esq..	Peter de Lannoy Esq..
Mr. Richard Matthew	Mr. Enoch Floyd
Mr. Thomas Kirby	Mr. John Clark

Who were thereupon severally sworn and declared to be the Court of Assistants of the Company and took their places at the Board accordingly.

13th February 1705 at Vernon's Coffee House in Bartho Lane LLC 1

Ordered. That the oath of fidelity to the Company to be taken by the members upon their admittance into the Company be in the words or for the effect agreed upon the last General Court

But that the oath of fidelity to the Company to be taken by the Governor, Deputy Governor and Assistants and all officers of the Company be in the words or for the effect following Viz.

You do swear that you will faithfully discharge the trust and office of
of the Governor and Company for the Smelting down Lead with Pitcoal and Seacoal during
your continuance in the said trust and office.

So help you God.

Resolved Declared & agreed.

That if Mr Renda shall sue Capt. Le Neve according to the order of the last General Court, it
was & is intended & Declared that the said Mr Renda shall defray all the charge of such suits
& indemnify this company from the same & from all non suits, for as much as only such as
were proprietors the 23rd of March 1695 are to have any benefit thereby.

Resolved Ordered & declared (nomine contradicente)

That the 3d 6th & 7th Article of the preamble to the subscription be & are hereby repeated
annulled & made void

And that no person to whom any shares have been transferred since the 23rd day of March
1695 shall be liable to pay the Guinea upon or for their admittance mentioned in the said 6th
Article of the said preamble nor any other sum or sums of money whatsoever upon or for their
admittance.

Resolved and Ordered (nomine conradicente)

That the order of the court of Assistants of the 19th of October 1692 (whereby it is ordered
That every member that transfers any share or shares shall first pay unto the Company's
Treasurer the sum of sixteen pounds per share more or so much as shall remain unpaid of the
£18 per share thentofore ordered to be paid at the time of his transferring for every share he
shall so transfer shall be and is hereby made & declared to be null and void. And all transfers
of any shares made since the 23rd day of March 1695 are hereby allowed of as good,
although' the remainder of the said eighteen pounds was not paid in the same at or before the
transferring thereof; nor of any time since.

The Court took into consideration the opinion of Sir Symon Harcourt (her Majesties Solicitor
General) dated the 19th day of January last taken upon this Company's Charter, wherein he
says the Solemn affirmation of a Quaker is sufficient to be taken instead of the oaths appointed
by the Charter to admit them into this Company.

Resolved.

That the Court are of opinion and do agree that any persons commonly known or reputed to be
Quakers shall and may be admitted (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) to sign
solemn declarations to the purpose of the oaths appointed by the Charter, upon their
admittance into this Company or any office or place therein. And upon signing such
Declarations may be admitted into this Company, or into any office or place therein being
otherwise qualified according to the Charter or Byelaws of this Company.

And then Doctor Edward Wright, Cornelius Mason, John Haddon, Jacob Franklin and Thomas
Cooper severally signed the Declarations aforesaid before the Governor in open Court and
were therefore severally admitted members of this Company.

It appeared to this Court that Thomas Addison, Sir Henry Marwood, Thomas Renda, Capt.
Thomas Nix, and John Henley did immediately after the last general Court sell out all shares,
transfer out all their severall & respective shares & interests in the Stock of this Company
Whereby they became severally unqualified for the said offices or places of Deputy Governor
and Assistants according to the first Article of the said Preamble

It appeared likewise to this Court that Sir Talbot Clerke, Mr Richard Adams, Mr George Moore, & Mr Mathias Cupper late Assistants of this Company have severally transferred out all their severall & respective shares and interests in the Stock of this Company Whereby they are severally become unqualified for the said office or place of Assistants.

And forasmuch Francis Scobell Esq., Capt. Henry Tate, and Mr. Gabriel Glover who were severally chosen of the Assistants of this Company last election, have not since the said election taken the oaths as Assistants appointed by the Charter it is

Resolved and declared that the said election of the said Francis Scobell Esq., Capt. Henry Tate, and Mr. Gabriel Glover to be Assistants is void, and they are by this Court severally discharged from the said office or place of assistants.

The Court then proceeded to elect a Deputy Governor and five assistants.

Enoch Floyd was elected Deputy Governor

Doctor Edward Wright

Mr. Cornelius Mason

Mr. John Haddon } To be assistants

Mr. Jacob Franklin

Mr. Thomas Cooper

And the said Mr Enoch Floyd was accordingly declared to be elected Deputy Governor & took the oaths appointed by the Charter as Deputy Governor being administered by the Governor in open court.

And the said Dr Edward Wright, Mr Cornelius Mason, Mr John Hadden, Mr Jacob Franklyn & Mr Thomas Cooper were severally declared to be duly elected Assistants And they severally signed the declarations before agreed to be signed in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter as Assistants & took their places at the board accordingly.

Ordered. That the Charter & Seal of the Company, and all other Books Writings & papers belonging to the Company be delivered to the Governor In order to be delivered by him to the Court of Assistants to be kept & disposed of by them as they shall adjudge most proper for the interest of the Company.

Resolved and Ordered (nominee conradicente)

That the form of the Acceptance of all shares that shall for the future be transferred shall be in the words or to the effect following Viz^t

I. A. B. do accept of the shares above transferred to me subject to all the rules orders and By laws of the said Company witness my hand.

THE AFFIRMATION taken by the Members of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for the Smelting down Lead &c. appointed by their Charter.

I. A. B. do solemnly and sincerely promise and declare, that I will be true and faithful to King GEORGE; and do solemnly, sincerely, and truly profess, testify, and declare, that I do from my heart abhor, detest, and renounce, as impious and heretical, that wicked Doctrine and Position, That Princess excommunicated or deprived by the POPE, or any Authority of the See of Rome, may be deposed or murdered by their Subjects, or any other whatsoever.

AND I do declare that no foreign Prince, Person, Prelate, State or Potentate, hath, or ought to have, any Power, Jurisdiction, Superiority, Preeminence, or Authority, Ecclesiastical or Spiritual within this Realm.

And further I do solemnly declare, that I will be true and faithful to the Governor and Company for the smelting down Lead with Pit-Coal and Sea-Coal, during my continuance in the said Joint-Stock.

The Oath of Supremacy had been: -

I do swear that I do from my heart abhor, detest and abjure as impious and heretical this damnable doctrine and position, that princes excommunicated or deprived by the Pope or any authority of the see of Rome may be deposed or murdered by their subjects or any other whatsoever. And I do declare that no foreign Prince, Person, Prelate, State or Potentate, hath, or ought to have, any Power, Jurisdiction, Superiority, Preeminence, or Authority, Ecclesiastical or Spiritual within this Realm.

The Oath of Allegiance had been: -

I do sincerely promise and swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to their majesties King William and Queen Mary, so help me God.

27th February 1705 at Vernon's Coffee House Bartho Lane LLC 1

The court took into consideration to nominate and appoint a person to serve this company as their secretary and accountant. And it was.

Resolved & Ordered. That Samuel Quinton of London, Scrivener be now admitted and entertained to serve this company as their Secretary & Accountant And he was accordingly admitted and entertained, and took the oaths appointed by the Charter.

Then the Court proceeded to consider of the raising such moneys as shall be necessary for the effectual carrying on the undertaking of Smelting down Lead with Pit coal & Sea coal according to the intention of the charter of this Corporation. And the Court being informed That there are very Rich Lead Mines on Halkin Mountain in the County of Flint, with a Smelt house, Cupola furnaces, Refinery's &c., proper for the carrying on this Company's Undertaking, belonging to the lessees of the said Lead Mines.

Resolved. That a Sub Committee be now appointed to consider of the best methods for raising money for the more effectual carrying on this company's undertaking. And likewise for the bringing the said Lead mines & works in Wales into the Joynt Stock of this Company.

Ordered and agreed. That Mr Governor, Mr Deputy Governor, Dr Edward Wright, Mr John Haddon, & Thomas Cooper or any three of them be & they are hereby accordingly declared & appointed a sub committee for the purposes aforesaid, and they are desired to make their report with all convenient speed.

The Governor according to an order of the last General court delivered into this board the Charter of the Company.

Ordered. That the said Charter & Seal be deposited with Dr Edward Wright for the use of this company till further order.

Ordered. That the common Seal of this Company be not affixed or put to any writing deed or instrument without an order of the Court of Assistants to be first made in that behalf And that such Writing Deed or Instrument be first perused & examined by two (at the least) of the Court of Assistants, and their Examination put on the back thereof. And such affixing of the Seal to be attested by the Secretary (for the time being) and to be affixed in Open Court.

Mr Governor delivered in to the Board all the Books Writings, Accounts and Papers that were before delivered to him belonging to this Company.

Resolved and agreed. That all meetings of the General court and Court of Assistants shall from & after the 25th day of March next be held at the dwelling house of Dr Edward Wright at the sign of the Ship near the Monument.

6th March 1705 at Vernon's Coffee house LLC 1

Mr Deputy Governor reported from the sub-committee appointed the 27th of February last to consider of the best methods for raising money for the more effectual carrying on this Company's Undertakings. And for bringing in certain Lead Mines & Works in Wales into the Joynt Stock of this Company.

That they had met several times and made considerable progress in the matter to them referred and would finish the same with all convenient speed.

The Court being informed that Mr Adams the late treasurer had closed all his accounts with the Company and desired from them a general release

Ordered. That a general release be put under the Seal of this Company & delivered to the said Mr Adams upon his executing a general release to the Company, and the Common Seal was accordingly affixed to a general release in open Court and delivered to the said Dr Wright to be delivered to the said Mr Adams on the terms aforesaid.

13 March 1705 at Vernon's Coffee House LLC 1

Mr Deputy Governor reported from the sub-committee appointed the 27th of February last to consider of the best methods for raising money for the more effectual carrying on this Company's Undertakings. And for bringing in certain Lead Mines & Works in Wales into the Joynt Stock of this Company.

That they had considered of the matters to them referred and had come to severall resolutions therein, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered in to the Board, where the same were severally read, and with some amendments severally agreed unto.

Ordered. That the said report so amended be entered in this days minutes, which is as followeth viz^l.

The Report of the sub-committee appointed by the Court of Assistants the 27th of February last to consider of the best methods for raising money for the more effectual carrying on this company's undertaking. And for bringing in certain Lead Mines & Works in Wales into the Joynt Stock of this company.

This Committee considered the Stock of this Corporation do find that the same is wholly exhausted, partly by unsuccessful attempts in prosecuting the design of the Charter, and partly by dividing or ordering to be divided what money remained to the former members that had regularly advanced the same according to the orders of General Courts on that behalf.

By which means this Corporation is disabled from proceeding in their affairs so as to answer the good end of the Charter without raising a New Stock for the same.

The Committee have also considered of the Lead Mines and Works mentioned in the order of Reference and do find that the same do belong to a Society & are commonly called &

transferred by the name of the Royal Mines Copper & other Works vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees.

That the mines are held by Lease or Leases for near twenty years to come, & are very rich, & produce great quantities of ore, which is smelted down with Pit coal at a new Cupola built by the proprietors of the said mine at Bagilt near Flint, about two miles from the mines, & about half a mile from the Rover Dee, where ships may load the Lead and coals bricks & other materials are very cheap there.

That the Cupola is a large & fine brick building covered with slate, containing three furnaces for smelting down lead, & room for a fourth, with a very fine slag hearth, & a Smithy & large Refinery in which a good quantity of Silver is produced weekly out of the Lead raised from the said mines.

That there is also at the Cupola a handsome dwelling house & grounds belonging, & a very good set of workmen of all sorts, which are constantly employed, and the Lead well approved at London & other markets. Which Cupola & Grounds they hold by Lease at £12 2s 6d per Annum for near 40 years to come.

That they have several hundred tunns of Lead & Ore at their works, & severall hundred ounces of Silver produced from their own lead, besides a competent cash in money to carry on their works.

That their Stock consists of seven hundred shares, & the proprietors say, that computing about 8 per cent per Annum for the Interest pains & hazard upon the sums advanced upon each share, it amounts to near £50 per share.

And this committee are of opinion that it will be greatly for the Interest of this Corporation to bring the said mines and works into this Company. And the Committee are come to the Resolutions following Viz^t.

Resolved.

1st. That it is the opinion of this Committee That for the effectual carrying on the affairs of this Corporation, and the speedy bringing the said Lead Mines & Works in Flintshire into the same, that fifty pounds per share be raised upon each share of this Corporation, to be paid on or before the twenty fourth day of September next.

Resolved.

2. That it is the opinion of this Committee that every of the members of this Corporation who shall on or before the twenty fourth day of July next transfer or cause to be transferred unto this Corporation in their Politick Capacity one or more share or shares in the stock & profits of the said Royal Mines Copper and other Works vested in the said Richard Matthew and others Trustees, the same shall be accepted & taken in lieu & full payment & satisfaction for the said fifty pounds per share to be advanced on the like number of shares in the Stock of this Corporation.

Resolved.

3. That it is the Opinion of this Committee That all such members as shall not pay their said fifty pounds per share on or before the said twenty fourth day of September next in money in specie, nor transfer a share or shares in the said Royal Mines Copper and other Works in lieu & satisfaction thereof as aforesaid, shall be admitted to pay the said fifty pound per share in money in specie any time on or before the tenth day of March next So as they pay after the rate of ten shillings per share per minimum advance from the said twenty fourth day of September next till such payment be made.

Resolved.

4. That it is the opinion of this Committee That such members as shall not pay their said fifty pounds per share as aforesaid with such advance as aforesaid on or before the said tenth day of March next shall be utterly excluded from the benefit of the New Stock of this Corporation, & all future Undertakings thereof.

Resolved.

5. That it is the opinion of this Committee That all former orders for calling in money on the shares of this Corporation be annulled discharged and made void.

All which is submitted to the Judgment of ye Court.

Resolved. That the said Report be laid before a General Court for their concurrence.

Resolved. That a General Court be summoned to meet at this place on Thursday next at 3 of the clock in the afternoon.

Ordered. That the secretary sends out summonses to all the members accordingly, & likewise affix notice thereof on one of the South Pillars of the Royal Exchange.

20th March 1705 at Vernon's Coffee House LLC 1

A General Court

The minutes of the General Court held the 13th day of February last were read.

Edward Doyley, William Kent, Thomas Davis, and John Askew, appearing at the Board, & desiring to be made free of this company, signed the declaration (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in open court, & were thereupon severally admitted members of this company.

The Secretary (by order of the Governor) read to the General Court the Report of the sub-Committee made to the Court of Assistants the 13th instant. And after some debate the Court came to the following Resolution Vizt.

Resolved. That Mr Governor, Mr Deputy Governor, Dr Edward Wright, Mr John Haddon & Mr Jacob Franklin, be and they are hereby desired to go into Wales to make strict enquiry into the Mines & Works in the Report mentioned. And that they report to a General Court to be held after their return what they observe thereof.

Ordered. That this Resolution be copied & put under the common Seal of this Corporation for this Warrant.

But the company wanting a press, and being informed that Mr John Keeling in Black fryers has such a one ready made Mr Deputy Governor and any two of the Assistants that please are desired to go to the said Mr Keelings in order to affix the Seale of this Corporation for a copy of the above resolution. And Mr Deputy Governor accompany'd by Dr Edward Wright & Mr John Haddon went and affixed the same accordingly.

Mr Governor and the other persons mentioned to go into Wales acquainted the Court That they would endeavour to be going in less than a week.

Ordered. That the further consideration of the Report from the sub- Committee be adjourned till the General Court to be held after their return, when they are to report the state of those mines & workes.

8th May 1705 at Dr. Wright's LLC 1

Mr Governor reported that himself and the other Gentlemen appointed by an order of the General Court held at Vernon's Coffee house in Bartho Lane the 20th day of March last to

take a Journey into Wales (to view and inspect the state & condition of the mines workes and concerns there) had accordingly been down there and were ready to Report their Proceedings therein to the next General Court.

Ordered. That the consideration of appointing a time for summoning such General Court be referred to the next Court of Assistants.

Then the Court proceeded to take into consideration the want of a Messenger to attend the service of this Corporation and the question being put whether such an Officer should be now chosen. It was carried in ye affirmation.

Then John Clarke was proposed to the Board to serve the Company as their messenger, and after some debate he was called in, and Mr Governor informed him of the nature of a messengers Office, and what would be expected from him. Viz^t.

To attend the General Courts & Courts of Assistants, and to carry out & deliver the summonses for the same so often as there shall be occasion, And to do & perform all such other matters services & things as appertain to and are proper for such an officer to do & perform. To which he agreed, & proposed to serve the company for a salary of ten pounds per annum, and then withdrew.

The questions being severally put that John Clarke be the said messenger, and allowed a salary of ten pounds per ann for such service. It was, Resolved in the affirmative upon which he was again called in, and Mr Governor acquainted him with the said resolution, & he was thereupon accordingly declared to be the messenger of this Corporation, & took the oath of fidelity as such before the Governor in Open Court.

15th May 1705 at Dr. Wright's LLC 1

The board being informed that there is a Cupola at Ryton near Newcastle upon Tyne and some mines in Austin Moor belonging to certain persons proprietors thereof who have some inclination to unite the same with this corporation.

Ordered. That Mr Governor, Mr Depty Governor, Urban Hall Esq & Mr Cornelius Mason or any three of them be a sub- Committee to enquire into the premises, & discourse some of the Proprietors of the said Ryton Workes, & report the same with their Opinion therein to this Board.

Ordered. That the appointing the time for a General Court to consider about the Cupola & workes in Wales be further adjourned.

The Common Seal of this Corporation was affixed to a General Release for Mr Richard Richards late Secretary & Accountant to this company according to an order of Court made ye 10th day of February last.

Ordered. That Dr Wright deliver the said General Release to the said Mr Richards upon his executing a General Release to the Company.

19th May 1705 at Dr. Wright's LLC 1

Clement Plumsted, & Michael Russell appearing at the Board & desiring to be made free of this company subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the Oaths appointed by ye Charter) before the Governor in open Court, & were thereupon severally admitted members of this company.

Mr Governor reported from the sub-Committee appointed to enquire into the Ryton Company That they have had a meeting with the proprietor thereof & made some progress therein, & hopes shall report further the next Court.

The appointing of a General Court further adjourned till the several persons to whome shares are transferred in the Company Books are made free, In order to their acceptance of them.

Ordered. That the secretary give the messenger an account of the persons names & places of abode that have shares transferred to them, & are not yet made free, in order to give them notice, that they may attend this Court to qualify themselves to be admitted members of this company.

22nd May 1705 at Dr. Wright's LLC 1

Isaac Ashley appearing at the Board & desiring to be made free of this Company signed the Declarations (in lieu of the Oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in Open Court, & was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

The Secretary reported that he had drawn out an Account for the messenger, of the names of such persons as have had shares transferred to them and are not yet made free, pursuant to an order of the last day.

William Chambers appearing at the Board, and desiring to be made free of this Company took the Oaths appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court, & was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of company.

Mr Governor, Reported from the sub-Committee appointed to enquire into the Ryton Affair mentioned in the Order of reference the 15th of this instant May, that they had met with the proprietors of the Ryton Lead Works and discoursed them on the state of their affaires, and that thereupon they had come to severall resolutions which.

Which were read at the Board, & severally put to the question, & are as followeth viz^t.

Resolved.

1st That this company are of opinion That since this Corporation does Resolve to pursue the good ends of their Charter to the utmost of their power, it would be very conducive to it to take the Cupola & Works mentioned in the said Report into this Corporation, for the more effectual carrying on the same.

Resolved.

2. That this committee are of opinion that persons be appointed to treat with the said proprietors about the terms of Purchase.

Resolved. That this Court do agree with the said sub-committee in the said Resolutions.

Resolved. That the persons to treat with the Ryton Lead proprietors of the terms of purchase be the sub-committee who were appointed to enquire into the works

Ordered. That the report from the said sub-committee made this day be entered in this days minutes, which is as followeth. Viz^t.

The Report of the sub-committee appointed the 15th day of May instant to enquire into the Ryton Lead Works, as mentioned in the said order of Reference.

We having met with some of the Proprietors of the Ryton Lead Works deputed to treat with us do find that they have a very good Cupola at Ryton which is held on Lease at £5 per Annum,

for above 30 years to come, where they have a very good set of workmen, & have made for severall years near 300 tunns of Lead yearly, which is well esteemed at London to which market they bring it this time for about 15s per tunn. There is room to double that quantity, if the Stock be proportionable.

Great part of their Lead holds very rich in Silver & may be refined to great advantage, there being room enough for it in the Cupola, and an operator now providing for it, to put it in practice.

They have severall mines belonging to them, which has cost them several thousand pounds, & some of them hopeful.

They have coals very cheap & labour reasonable.

They have a Stock of Clay that endures the fire. Tools & Utensils necessary for the works, both for the Mines & Smelting.

This Comte therefore have come to severall Resolutions thereon.

Resolved.

1st. That this Committee are of opinion That since this Corporation does Resolve to pursue the goods ends of their Charter to the utmost of their power, it would be very conducive to it to be take the said Cupola & works into this Corporation, for the more effectual carrying on the same.

Resolved.

2. That this Committee are of opinion that persons be appointed, to treat with the said proprietors about the terms of Purchase.

All which is submitted to the judgement of the Court

Samuel Davis Govr

Enoch Floyd

Cornelius Mason

26th May 1705 LLC 1

Joseph Heal appearing at the Board, & desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

Ordered. That it be referred to the next Court of Assistants to appoint a time for summoning a General Court to hear the report from the Gentlemen that took a journey into Wales to view & inspect the state & condition of the Mines Workes and concerns there.

3rd June 1705 LLC 1

Richard Diamond & Lascells Metcalfe appearing at the Board, & desireing to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

Ordered. That it be referred to the next Court of Assistants to appoint a time for summoning a General Court, to hear the Report from the Gentlemen that went into Wales.

16th June 1705 LLC 1

Ordered. That Peter de Lannoy Esq be added to the sub-committee for treating with the proprietors of the Ryton Lead Workes, And that they make their Report to this court with all convenient speed.

19th June 1705 LLC 1

The Committee appointed to treat with the Proprietors of the Ryton Lead Works made the following Report Viz^t.

That they do referr themselves to the report by them made to this Court the 22th day of May last concerning the same.

And do further report that they have since discoursed with several of the Proprietors of the said Workes, And do find That their whole stock & workes are divided into forty shares which stand the proprietors in above £150 per share. And that they are of opinion, that it will be greatly for the Interest of this Corporation to bring the said Ryton Workes into this Company on the following terms Viz^t.

Whereas it is intended to call & raise £50 per share upon each & every share in the Joynt Stock of this Corporation, and to accept of the transferr of a share in the Stock & profits of the Royal Mines Copper & other Workes vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees for & in full payment of each £50 so to be raised & paid upon each share in the stock of this company. That the members of this company be likewise admitted to make their said payments of £50 per share (within a limited time) in shares in the said Ryton Workes at £125 per share, such shares to be transferred to this Corporation in their Politick capacity, And that the present proprietors of the said Ryton Workes pay & discharge all the debts which are or shall on or before the 24th day of this instant June be due from them to any person or persons (except on account of Refining) and then to be entitled to all the Ore & lead which shall be raised bought or made for or on account of the said present proprietors, & to all the debts, which are or shall be due, to the said Ryton Stock or Works on or before the 24th day of this instant June.

Then the Court took into consideration the said report, and also the Report made by the same committee to this Court the 22th day of May last, and likewise the report made to this Court the 13th day of March last, from the committee appointed the 27th day of February last, to consider of the best methods for raising money for the more effectual carrying on this company's undertaking, and likewise for bringing certain Lead Mines & Workes in Flintshire into the Joynt Stock of this company, and the Resolutions and agreements of this Court concerning the same.

And the committee that went into Wales pursuant to an order of the General Court the 20th day of March being present in Court & acquainted the Court, that they had viewed & enquired into the said Lead Mines, and the Cupola Refinery &c thereunto belonging, & do find that the same agrees very well with the report made to this Court concerning the same the 13th day of March last. And upon deliberate consideration of the whole matter this Court doth think fit And it is.

Resolved

1st. That for the effectual carrying on the affairs of the Corporation, and the speedy bringing the said lead mines and works in Wales, and also the said lead mines and works at Ryton in the Bishoprick of Durham into the General Joynt Stock of the same, that the sum of fifty pounds per share be raised upon each share in the Joynt Stock of this Corporation, to be paid on or before the 24th day of December next, to the treasurer or cashier of the Corporation (for the time being) for the use of this Corporation.

Resolved

2nd. That every of the members of this Corporation who shall on or before the 24th day of October next transfer or cause to be transferred into this Corporation in their politick capacity one or more share or shares in the stock profits of and for certain Royal Mines Copper and other works vested in Mr Richard Matthew and other trustees, the same shall be accepted and taken in lieu and full payment and satisfaction for the said fifty pounds per share, to be advanced on the like number of shares in the Joynt Stock of the Corporation.

Resolved

3rd. That every member of this Corporation, who shall on or before the said 24th day of October next, transfer or cause to be transferred to this Corporation in their politick capacity one or more share or shares in the said Ryton works, the same shall be accepted and taken at one hundred and twenty five pounds per share, in payment of the said fifty pounds per share, above agreed or intended to be advanced on each share in the Joynt Stock of the Corporation.

Resolved

4thly. That all such members as shall not on or before the said 24th day of December next pay their said fifty pounds per share in money in specie, nor by such transfer as aforesaid of a share or shares in the Stock & profits of the said Royal Mines Copper & other workes vested in the said Richard Matthew & others Trustees, nor by such transfer of a share or shares in the said Ryton Workes, shall be admitted to pay the said fifty pounds per share in money in specie, any time on or before the tenth day of March next, So as they pay after the rate of ten shillings per share per minum advance from the said 24th day of December next, till such payment be made.

Resolved

5thly. That such members as shall not pay their said fifty pounds per share as aforesaid, with such advance as aforesaid, on or before the said tenth day of March next, shall be utterly excluded from the benefit of the New Stock of this Corporation & all further Undertakings thereof.

Resolved

6thly. That all former orders for calling in money on the shares of this Corporation be & they are hereby annulled discharged & made void.

Resolved

7thly. That the present proprietors of the said Ryton Works shall pay & discharge all the debts that are or shall on or before the 24th day of this instant June be due from them to any person or persons (except on account of Refining) And the said present proprietors shall be entitled to all the ore and lead which shall be raised bought or made for or on account of the said proprietors and to all debts which are or shall be due to the said Ryton Stock or Workes on or before the said 24th day of this instant June,

Resolved (nominee contradicente)

8thly. That these Resolutions be laid before the General Court to be held this day, for their approbation.

(If two shares of the Ryton Company were deposited, they would have the value of £250, so would count as full payment of 5 shares of the Corporation)

19th June 1705 LLC 1

A General Court

The minutes of the General Court of the 20th of March last were read, and also the minutes of the Court of Assistants held this day wherein is contained the Report of a sub committee

appointed by ye Court of assistants to treat with the proprietors of certain Lead Works at Ryton in the Bishoprick of Durham, and also the Report of a sub committee appointed by ye Court of assistants to consider of the best methods for raising mony for carrying on this company's undertaking and likewise for bringing certain Lead Mines & Works in Flintshire into the Joynt Stock of this Company and also the several following Resolutions of the said Court of assistants held this day.

Resolved

That a copy of the foregoing Resolutions should be delivered or sent to all such members of this Corporation whose place of abode is known or can be found by the Court of Assistants. Gilbert Mollson appearing at the Board, & desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

23rd June 1705 LLC1

The Court took into consideration the nominating & appointing a treasurer to this Company and it was: —

Resolved and agreed. That Dr Wright be and he is hereby appointed and declared to be the treasurer to their Corporation, which he accepted accordingly.

Thomas Lee appearing at ye Board and desiring to be made free of this Company subscribed the declaration (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) and was thereupon admitted a member of this company accordingly.

26th June 1705 LLC 1

The secretary reported that in pursuance of the Resolutions of the General Court held the 19th instant there had been transferred to this Corporation in their Politick Capacity twenty nine shares (part of the forty shares) in the Stock & profits of the Ryton Lead Workes Viz^t.

	Shares
By Joseph Heale	2
By Edward Wright	4
By John Tanner	2
By Thomas Cooper	2
By John Haddon	4
By Mary Bawne	2
By Walter Benthall	2
By John Perry	2
By Edward Doyley	3
By William Kent	1
By Matthew Plumsted	1
By Thomas Lee	1
By John Clarke	1
By Richard Collet	2
In all	29 Shares

The secretary further Reported that in pursuance of the Resolutions of the same General Court there had been transferred to this Corporation in this Politick Capacity sixty shares (part of the

700 shares) in the Stock and profits of the Royall Mines Copper & other Works vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees, Viz^t.

	Shares
By Thomas Davis	20
By John Tanner	5
By Joseph Heale	5
By Mary Bawne	15
By Edward Doyly	10
By William Kent	5
In all	60 Shares

Ordered. That a certificate be signed by the treasurer to all such persons as have already transferred or shall hereafter transfer to the Corporation in their Politick Capacity any share or shares in the Stock & profits of the said Ryton Lead Workes in the forme or to the effect following viz^t.

London 26th June 1705

These are to certify that in pursuance of an Order of the General Court of the Governor & Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit coal & Sea coal held the 18th day of this instant June A.B. hath this day transferred unto the said Governor & Company two shares in the Stock & profits of the Lead Works at Ryton in the Bishoprick of Durham, which are to be accepted & taken in full payment of two hundred & fifty pounds, being fifty pounds per share ordered by the said General Court of the said Governor and Company to be paid in upon five shares which the said A.B. now hath in his name in the General Joynt Stock of the said Governor & Company

By Order of the Court of Assistants of
The said Governor & Company
C.D. Treasurer

And that the like certificate (mutatis mutandis) be signed by the treasurer to all such persons as have already transferred or shall hereafter transfer to this Corporation in their Politick Capacity any share or shares in the Stock & profits of the said Royal Mines Copper & other Works vested in the said Richard Matthew & others Trustees.

Forasmuch as in pursuance of the Resolutions of the said General Court of the Corporation held the 19th Inst, the major part of the shares in the Stock & profits of the said Ryton Lead Workes are transferred to this Corporation in their Politick Capacity, whereby this Corporation is become instituted to the management of the said Works & to have the same assigned to them pursuant to the orders & Resolutions of a General Meeting of the Proprietors of the said Ryton Workes held the 21st day of this instant June.

Resolved & Ordered

That from henceforth all matters & things relating or belonging to the said Ryton Works shall be ordered managed & governed by the order and direction of this Court (Except what relates to the selling the ore & lead reserved to the late proprietors of the said Workes, and the getting in & paying the debts due to & from the said Workes.

Ordered. That notice be sent to all the servants employed at the said Ryton Workes to acquaint them that the said Works are taken into this Corporation. And that they are from

henceforth to observe such & only such orders as they shall receive from this Board in relation to the said workes (Except as aforesaid)

Ordered. That the Trustees of & for the Stock & profits of the said Ryton Workes do with all convenient speed assign the same to this Corporation pursuant to the Resolutions & orders of the General Meeting of the proprietors of the said Ryton Workes held ye 21st day of this instant June.

3rd July 1705 LLC 1

The secretary reported that since the last Court there had been transferred to this Corporation in their Politick capacity one hundred & twenty shares in the Stock & profits of the Royal Mines Copper and other Works vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees pursuant to the Resolutions of a General Court of this Corporation held the 19th day of June last Viz^t.

By Thomas Kirby 15 shares

By John Askew 5

By Richard Matthew 100

In all 120 shares

Ordered. That the messenger desire William Kempster (who was Clerke to the proprietors of the —“—“—Ryton Works) to bring or send to this board all the books writings accounts & papers relating or belonging to the said Ryton Works (which he hath in his hands custody or possession) so soon as convenient he can pursuant to an order of the committee for managing the said Ryton Works held the 25 day of June last.

A letter from Charles Alsopp (steward at the Cupola at Ryton) to John Knight dated the 25th of June last was read and an answer wrote to the said Charles Alsopp & signed by the board, a copy of which is entered in this company's copy book of letters.

Ordered. That John Haddon provide two iron pots to be forthwith sent to the said Charles Alsopp, one of the said pots to be 12 inches deep and 14 inches broad, and the other to be 14 inches deep and 18 inches broad.

Said Haddon reports that he had shipped on Board the William and Henry of Newcastle, William Midford Master (to be delivered to the said Charles Alsopp) two pair of large Bellows for refining, two pair of Handscrews, two ceives (sieves?), two large Scarvells and 14 barrels of Bone ashes containing 42 bushels, pursuant to an order of the Ryton committee the 11th June last.

Roger Newham appearing at the Board, & desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company. And at the same time transferred to this corporation in their Politick Capacity eight shares in the Stock & Profits of the Royal Mines Copper & other Works vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees pursuant to the Resolutions of a General Court of this Corporation held the 19th day of June last.

7th July 1705 LLC 1

William Kempster (according to order) brought in and delivered to this Board all the books writings accounts & papers (which were in his hands custody or possession) belonging to the Ryton Lead Works.

Ordered. That the secretary prepare & lay before this Board a schedule of the said books writings accounts and papers with all convenient speed.

The secretary Reported that since the last Court there had been transferred to this corporation in their Politick Capacity two hundred fifty two shares in the Stock & profits of the Royal Mines Copper and other works vest in Richard Matthew and others trustees Viz^t.

By Katherine Wright on account of Edward Wright 1 shares

By Michael Russell	10
By Jacob Franklin	16
By Isaac Ashley	31
By Samll Davis	50
By Cornelius Mason	20
By Thomas Cooper	50
By Peter de Lannoy Esq	10
By Enoch Floyd	13
By Dr Edward Wright	31
By John Haddon	<u>20</u>
In all	252 shares

Mr Treasurer reported to this Court the Proceedings of the committee for managing the Royal Mines Copper & other Works vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees at their meeting held this day Vis^t.

That forasmuch as in pursuance of the Resolutions of a General Court of this corporation held the 19th day of June last, and also the Resolutions of a General Meeting of the proprietors of the said Royal Mines Copper & other works held the said 19th day of June last, the major part of the shares in the Stock & profits of the said Royal Mines Copper & other works are transferred to this corporation in their Politick capacity whereby this corporation are become intituled to the management of the said mines & stock & works and to have the same assigned to them pursuant to the orders & Resolutions of the said General Meeting of the proprietors of the said mines Stock and works held the said 19th day of June last. It was

Resolved & ordered by the said Committee

That from henceforth all matters & things relating to the said mines Stock & works shall be ordered managed governed transacted & done by or by the order & direction of this corporation or the Court of Assistants thereof.

And that it was further Ordered that notice should be given or sent to all the Agents & servants at the said mines & works that the said mines stock and works are taken into this Corporation And that they are from henceforth to observe & obey such and only such orders & directions as they shall receive from this corporation or the Court of Assistants thereof in relation to the said mines & works And that a letter was wrote to Anthony Barker (their Chief agent at their mines & works in Wales) accordingly, and signed by the said committee.

And that the said committee had further ordered that Richard Matthew Factor, Edward Wright Chemist, & John Haddon Blacksmith (the present Trustees of & for the said mines Stock &

works should with all convenient speed assign & transfer all their said trust estate & interest unto this corporation their successors & assigns pursuant to the Resolutions and orders of the said General Meeting of the proprietors of the said Stock & Works held the said 19th day of June last This corporation indemnifying the said Trustees of from & against all costs charges damages expenses & demands what so ever for or in respect of their said Trusts or their assigning the same to this Corporation. And also paying or securing to be paid (to the good liking & satisfaction of the said trustees) all such debts as are shall or may be due or owing to any person or persons on account of the said mines & works.

And Mr Treasurer further reported that the said committee had ordered & agreed that himself as treasurer for the Stock of the said mines & works should account for & answer & pay to this Corporation or the court of Assistants thereof or their order all such monies matters & things as have or shall come to his hands charge care or custody for the use or on account of the proprietors of the said mines Stock & works since the 9th day of May 1704 to which time his account has been examined & adjusted & signed by the said committee

And that all moneys which he shall so pay, & all accounts which he shall so make or settle shall be of equal force & virtue, & as valid & effectual, & he be alike discharged therefrom to all intents constructions & purposes whatsoever as if the same had been paid unto, or made up audited & settle by the said committee.

And that they had further ordered that Samuel Quinton their clerk should forthwith deliver all the books writings accounts & papers (that are in his hands custody or possession) belonging to the proprietors of the said mines Stock & Works unto this Corporation or the court of Assistants thereof or their order.

All which proceedings of the said committee he was ordered to report to this Court as he had now done.

Whereupon it is.

Resolved & Ordered (nomine conradicente)

That this Corporation shall & will not only accept of the said intended Assignment of the said mines Stock & Works from the said Richard Matthew, Edward Wright, & John Haddon the trustees of & for the same, But shall & will from time to time & at all times hereafter well & sufficiently acquit discharge save defend keep harmless & indemnified the said Trustees & every of them of from & against all costs charges damages expenses and demands whatsoever for or in respect of their said trust or their assigning the same to this Corporation. And also shall & will pay and discharge all Rents & farms sum & sums of money that is are shall or may grow be or become due or payable to the heirs of Sir Thomas Grosvenor or any other person or persons, for or on account of all & every or any the mines or Works which shall be assigned to this Corporation. And also shall & will pay or secure to be paid (to the good liking & satisfaction of the said trustees) all such other debts dues & demands as are shall or may grow be or become due or payable to any person or persons whatsoever on account of the said mines & works. And save harmless & keep indemnified the said Richard Matthew, Edward Wright, & John Haddon & every of them their & every of their heirs executors & administrators & his their & every of their goods & chattels lands & tenements of from & against the same & all actions suits costs troubles damages expenses & demands whatsoever respecting relating to or concerning the same, and of from & against all & every the covenants or agreements by them made or entered into with William Monson Esq & John Linton Gent or either of them or any other person or persons whatsoever in respect of or relating to the said mines Stock & Works.

Ordered. That Dr Edward Wright (the present Treasurer for the Stock of the said mines & works) shall account for & answer & pay to this Corporation, or the Court of Assistants thereof or their order, all such moneys matters & things as have or shall come to his hands charge care or custody for the use or on account of the said mines & works, since the 9th day of May 1704.

Samuel Quinton (clerk to the committee for managing the said mines Stock & works) brought in & delivered to this board, all the books, writings, accounts and papers (which were in his hands custody or possession) belonging to the proprietors of the said mines Stock & works.

Ordered. That the said Samuel Quinton prepare & lay before this Board a schedule of the said books writings accounts & papers, with all convenient speed.

Ordered. That all the said Books, writings, accounts & papers, & also the books, writings, accounts and paper, brought in & delivered to this Board by William Kempster, be delivered to, & remain under the care & custody of the said Dr Edward Wright (the present treasurer to this Corporation) till further order.

A letter wrote to Anthony Barker (Chief Agent at the mines & works in Wales) to give him notice, that the said mines stock & works are taken into this Corporation. And that he is from henceforward to follow such & only such orders as he shall receive from this board, and to account with no other persons whatsoever.

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A letter from Anthony Barker of the 5th with Richard Payne's note enclosed for delivery of six cakes of silver weight 290 ounces 15 penny weight.

17th July 1705 LLC 1

A letter from Anthony Barker with Richard Payne's note enclosed for delivery of one cake of silver weight 79 ounces 10 penny weight.

Said Barker also advises of a Bill drawn by him on the Treasurer dated the 11th instant for £130 payable to Mr Robert Foulks on his order the 27th inst.

Mr Treasurer reports that he had received the six cakes of silver mentioned in the minutes of the last day, & the same being now weighed in Court were found full weight.

Do further reports that he has delivered into the Mint all the Silver before in his custody Ingot No 1 51 lb. 5 oz. 10 pw fine had been delivered to the mint and that on assay it was found 14 pw better which makes in standard 54 lb. 8 oz. 8 pw at 5s 2d per ounce comes to £169 11s 6d. Which money he had received for the same.

Edward Leeds attending the Court, desiring to be made free of this company, took the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

Then the court proceeded to take into consideration the 7th article of the preamble to the subscription viz^t.

That an allowance after the rate of £200 per annum be paid to the Governor & Court of Assistants (& sub-Committees by them appointed) to be distributed according to their respective appearances, as the said Court of Assistants shall think fit.

And this Court being desirous, that the affairs of this Corporation may be managed & carried on with as little charge & expense as may be. It is Resolved & agreed.

That for the future the sum of forty four shillings per week & no more be paid & allowed to the Court of Assistants & sub-committee to be allowed to the Court as this Board shall order & direct.

Ordered. That a Court of Assistants to be held every Tuesday in the afternoon, and that no member, shall depart the Court without leave, before all the letters and Warrants are signed on forfeiture of his share and proportion of the Court money. And that each member that does not come by half an hour after the time adjourned or summoned to, shall likewise forfeit & loose his share & proportion of the Court money.

Resolved.

That the Court money so to be divided shall be thirty shillings & no more.

Ordered. That Mr Governor, Mr Deputy Governor, Dr Edward Wright, Peter de Lannoy Esq, Mr John Haddon or any three of them, be a sub-committee of trade & correspondence. And they are hereby directed authorised & empowered to receive and open all letters, & prepare heads for answers thereto, to be signed by this board. And also to treat & agree with Merchants, Masters of ships & others for the hire or freight of any ship or ships. And to sell any of the company's lead. And also to prepare all or any matters or things respecting the affairs of this Corporation, proper for the consideration of this board. And that they report their proceedings therein to this board. And that they meet & adjourn from time to time, as they shall see fit.

Resolved.

That the allowance to the said sub-committee be fourteen shillings per week & no more, to be delivered as they shall agree.

Resolved.

That all arrears of money due for the attendance of former Courts of Assistants or sub-committees, for the 7th day of July accordingly acquitted released & discharged.

Ordered. That for the future for every transfer shall be paid two shillings & six pence by the transferrer and one shilling & six pence for every acceptance to be paid by the acceptor, including the stamps.

Warrants were drawn on the Treasurer to pay the following sum viz^t.

To Mr Robert Foulks or order in discharge of Mr Barkers Bill of the 11th instant £130

To Samuel Quinton or order in full for a Quarters salary due at Midsummer last £5

24th July 1705 LLC 1

The secretary reports that he had made some progress in the schedule mentioned in the minutes of the last day and would finish the same with all convenient speed.

Do further report that since the last Court there had been transferred to this Corporation in their Politick Capacity by Richard Diamond, ten shares in the Stock & Profits of the Royal Mines Copper & other works vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees, pursuant to the resolutions of a General Court of this Corporation held the 19th day of June last.

And that John Lamb (for the account of Dr Edward Wright) had likewise transferred to this Corporation in their Politick Capacity, two shares in the Stock & profits of the Ryton Lead Works, pursuant to the resolutions of the said General Court of the Corporation held the said 19th day of June last.

William Kempster informs the Court that in pursuance of the Resolutions of the same General Court, Edward Doyly for & on the behalf of John Hubbard (by virtue of a letter of Attorney

dated the 30th day of June last) had transferred to this Corporation in their Politick Capacity two shares in the Stock and profits of the said Ryton Lead Works.

The treasurer reports that he had received from Richard Richards (this company's late secretary) a General Release to this company. And that thereupon he had delivered the company General Release to him pursuant to an order of a General Court of this Corporation held the 10th day of February last.

The following letters were read Vizt.

One from Charles Alsopp of the 16th with his Accounts

One from Thomas Pattinson of the same date.

Two from Anthony Barker of the 17th & 20th

One of the 18th from James Lawranceson (Richard Payne's Book keeper) advising that the cake of silver mentioned in the minutes of the last day was left behind, but should be sent per next opportunity.

One from Capt. Baker at Falmouth of the 19th advising that himself & Capt. Cooke were both safe there, under convoy of the Southampton & Lizard.

Letters from J. Peck, Charles Halling, James Kirby & Mr Brownlow, severally offering their service to go into Wales, in the room of Ralph Reeve.

And the said Mr Peck, Mr Halling & Mr Brownlow attending the Court, were severally called in and discoursed, & then withdrew. And after some debate they were severally put up, as was also James Kirby who had before attended this board, and the said Charles Halling was elected by majority of votes to supply the place of the said Charles Reeve.

Ordered. That Mr John Haddon inform him of it. And that he attend the sub-committee of trade & correspondence on Tuesday morning next.

Walter Benthall appearing at the Board, & desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

The minutes of the sub-committee of trade and correspondence of the 18th & 24th instant were read

Resolved.

That all Warrants of loan & committee money due from the society concerned in the Royal Mines Copper & other works vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees, be forthwith called in & paid, or secured to be paid, by giving this company's bonds, in order to discharge the said Trustees of & from the same.

Resolved.

That this company will buy the ore & lead belonging to the Old Partners of the Ryton Works, if they can agree. And they are desired to make their Proposals to this board at their next meeting.

Ordered. That the treasurer pay Thomas Cooper the sum of three pounds one shilling & six pence, being so much by him paid to John Love for the Insurance of £50 the 7th of May last on the Virgins Grace, Capt. Baker Commander bound with lead for per London.

Letters were wrote to Anthony Barker & Charles Alsopp & signed by the board.

A letter wrote to Capt. Baker & signed by Dr Wright.

31st July 1705 LLC 1

The secretary Reports that since the last Court there had been transferred to this Corporation in their Politick Capacity, by Clement Plumsted, ten shares in the Royal Mines Copper & other workes vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees, pursuant to the Resolutions of a General Court of this corporation held the 19th day of June last.

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 27th advising of a bill drawn by him on the treasurer the 25th inst for £63 payable to Robert Foulks or his order 30 days after date. And another bill for £20 payable to Katherine Parker or order at 15 days sight.

Also Richard Payne's Note inclosed for delivery of two cakes of silver 170 ounces 17 pennyweight, carriage 4s 6d, which note was delivered to the messenger to receive the same. A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 23rd with a paybill for ore & carriage Balance due to him being £326 19s 10½ d.

In this letter came inclosed one from Thomas Pattinson

A letter from Capt. Cooke dated at Plymouth the 23rd instant, advising that he & Capt. Baker were both well there, but had no convoy, but were in expectation of one very quickly.

One from John Cowley at Yorke of the same date with an order inclosed to Nichas Armstrong, to deliver unto Charles Alsopp all the lead ore already gotten, or that shall be gotten at Redgroves in the County of Cumberland, at 28s per Bing.

Letters wrote to Anthony Barker, Charles Alsopp and John Cowley, and signed by the board.

Charles Halling attending the court was called in and the Articles between the Company & him were read, & he sealed his part thereof to the company & took the oath of fidelity to them. Ordered. That the secretary get ready a part for the company to seal to the said Charles Halling next court day, and that he then attend this Board. And that the sub-committee of trade & correspondence prepare & draw up heads of instruction for the said Charles Halling to be laid before this board for their approbation.

Ordered. That the secretary do against this day sevenight prepare & lay before this board the form of a bond proper to be entered into by this company, as there may be occasion.

Ordered. That the messenger do forthwith furnish all such members as have not yet had them, with the Resolutions of the last General Court.

Warrants were drawn on the treasurer to pay the following sums vizt.

To Robert Foulks on order £63 00 00

To Katherine Parker or order £20 00 00

To John Gardiner &c., for 42 bushels of Bone ashes sent to Ryton & for casks, porteridge & cartage thereof £9 07 04

7th August 1705 LLC 1

The secretary (pursuant to an order of the last day) delivered in to the board, the other Engrossed part of the articles between this company & Charles Halling, their intended Clerke at Gadlis, which were read & examined in Open Court.

Ordered. That the common seal of this Corporation be now affixed to the said Articles, which was done accordingly, & attest, by the Secretary.

Dr Wright reports from the sub-committee to whom it was referred, by an order of the last day, to draw up & prepare heads of instruction for Charles Halling That they had drawn up and prepared heads of instruction accordingly, which were read & approved.

Ordered. That the secretary make a faire copy thereof for the said Charles Halling, & sign the same on behalf of the company.

And that he likewise enter a copy of the said Instructions in this day's minutes.

The secretary (according to order) laid before the Board, the form of a Bond (which he conceived) proper to be entered into by this company, as there may be occasion, which was read & approved. And Mr Deputy Governor is desired to get it printed.

The following letters were read viz.

One from Charles Alsopp of the 30th of July

One from Anthony Barker of the third instant, advising of a refining operation of 72oz 10pw of silver.

The treasurer Reports that he had received the three caked of Silver last advised of, and that they held full weight.

Oz	pw
79	10
<u>170</u>	<u>17</u>
250	7

The treasurer further reports that he had received of Thomas Cooper £300 being lent the company the 23d of July last, & had given him a receipt for the same.

Ordered. That Charles Halling be allowed forty shillings towards the charges of his journey into Wales. And that he order his affairs so, as to be at Gadlis the 22nd instant.

Warrants were drawn on the treasurer to pay the following sums vizt.

To Elizabeth Marshall for 6 months Interest of two hundred and fifty pounds lent the Society concerned in the Royall Mines Copper & other works vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees, due the 11th of July last £6 5 0

To Roger Newham for six months Interest of three hundred & fifty pounds lent the said Society, due the 27th of July last £9 0 0

Letters were wrote to Anthony Barker and Charles Alsopp, and signed by the board.

A Copy of the Letter or Heads of Instruction for Mr Charles Halling Viz^t.

Mr Charles Halling

London August ye 7th 1705

You have already signed the covenant & agreement with this Corporation, & taken an oath to observe and do all such things as (to the best of you judgement) shall be most for the company's Interest, we shall need the less to enlarge, And therefore shall only recommend to you the following viz^t.

That you repare to Gadlis, where we expect you should be on the 22nd instant, there to proceed on business, as you shall be directed by Mr Anthony Barker our Agent And to follow such orders as you shall receive from time to time, either from this Board, or the said Agent. That you keep fair accounts of all goods received in & delivered out at our Cupola, of ore delivered to the Smelters, of what is brought in, and lead produced &c.

That you carefully observe the behaviour of our servants & workmen, that they be diligent in their several stations, and in case of remissness, to give them such reproof as you may see most proper & convenient, or acquaint our Agent therewith,

These are things that we leave to your own discretion, not questioning that it is such as will best direct you so to act, as may most express your prudent management therein, & be of most use & service to the company, you having had already some verbal Instructions how to carry you self towards them.

This is what occurs at present to inform you of so leaving you to the protection of the Almighty we wish you a good journey, & prosperity to attend your affairs, we rest
Signed by order of the Court of Assistants. Your Loving friends

Samuel Quinton. Secretary

14th August 1705 LLC 1

The secretary Reports that he had made a fair copy of the heads of Instruction for Mr Charles Halling, which he had signed on behalf of the company, & delivered the same to the said Charles Halling, pursuant to an order of the last day.

And that he had likewise entered a copy thereof in the minute book.

Do further reports that since the last Court there had been transferred to this corporation in their Politick Capacity by Dr Edward Wright for & on behalf of Messrs Daniel & Nathaniel Matson (by virtue of a letter of Attorney dated the 9th instant) forty shares in the Stock & profits of the Royal Mines pursuant to the Resolutions of a General Court of this corporation held the 19th day of June last, which shares are upon the proper account of the said Nathaniel Matson.

The Deputy Governor Reports that he had got ninety bonds printed, pursuant to an order of the last day, which he delivered in to the board. And said Mr Deputy Governor is desired to get them bound up, as soon as he can, in a convenient book. And also to get two quires more printed off, before the Press is broke. And to have them bound up in the same book.

Mr Treasurer reports that the silver last sent to the Tower (Ingot No 2) weighed 44 lb. 11 oz 5 pw fine, being better 14 pw 12 gr., making 47 lb. 10 oz 9 pw 10 gr. standard, at 5s 2d per ounce comes to £148 8s. Which monies he had received

Mr Treasurer further reports that he had received notice of the New Grant in Wales being sent up by Mr Barker.

Ordered. That Dr Edward Wright & Mr John Haddon (who are made parties thereto) do execute the same on behalf of this company, who will indemnify them at all times for so doing.

A letter from Charles Alsopp of ye 6th & another of ye 10th of a bill drawn by him on the treasurer the 9th inst of £50 payable to the order of Mr Robert Foulks 28 days after date, And one other bill of the 10th instant for £40 payable to the order of Mr Robert Rider at 28 dayes sight.

Ordered. That the messenger get 40 bushells of Bone ashes of J Gardner as soon as maybe, put up in 10 or 12 sacks, as may be thought fit, & acquaint Thomas Copper when they are ready, in order to his getting carriage for them by land to Chester.

Warrants were drawn on the treasurer to pay the following sumes Viz.

To Mr Robert Foulks or order in discharge of Mr Barker's Bill of the 9th instant £50
To Mr Robert Rider or order in discharge of Mr Barker's Bill of the 10th Instant £40

21st August 1705 LLC 1

The Deputy Governor Reports That he has got four quires of Bonds printed & bound in two volumes, as being more commodious than one containing in number.

Twenty of which are stampd with double six-penny stamps, according to the Act of Parliament, which was approved of by the Board.

Dr Wright Reports that Mr Haddon and himself had executed the Counterpart of the New Grant in Wales, pursuant to an Order of the last day.

Ordered. That the secretary endorse a declaration of trust on the back of the said deed, from the said Dr Wright & Mr Haddon to this company against next Court day, That it may be then executed.

Mr Cooper reports that there were sent to Anthony Barker by John Watson carrier forty bushels of Bone Ashes, marked A.B. from No1 to 10, in so many sacks, & 2 iron wire riddles, as desired in his letter.

Ordered. That the messenger bespeak 40 bushels more of Bone ashes of John Gardner & let him know that great fault is found with those lately had of him.

The following letters were read viz.

One from Anthony Barker of the 17th advising that he had inclosed Richard Payne's Note for delivery of 3 cakes of silver, quantity two hundred twenty one ounces ten penny weight, carriage 5s which note was delivered to the messenger to receive the same.

He further advises that on the 16th he drew a bill on the treasurer to pay Henry Ferne Esq or order £100 at 21 days sight, value received of Mr Edmund Smith.

A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 14th.

There appearing to be due to Mr Thomas Cooper ye sum of £406 13s 1d as per particulars under written.

Ordered. That the common seal of this corporation be now affixed to two bonds to be severally made payable to the said Thomas Cooper or his assigns on the 22nd of February next, One of the said Bonds to be for £200 and the other for £206 13s 1d. Which was done accordingly, and attested by the secretary and messenger.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Mr Thomas Cooper or his Order three pounds four shillings & six pence for ye Interest of fifty pounds & three hundred pounds to this day.

Ordered. That the treasurer pay Thomas Cooper two warrants of the Copper Society, one for fifty pounds dated the 16th of March 1702, & the other for fifty-three pounds eight shillings & seven pence dated the 27th of January 1701. Which shall be sufficient Warrants for the same.

Memorandum. The £406 13s 1d received of Thomas Cooper, & for which the aforesaid Bonds were given, was as followeth. Viz.

Lent this company 23d of July 1705	300	0	0
Lent the Copper Company 12 Jan 1702	50	0	0
Interest of both to the day	3	4	6

Committee money Warrant from the
Copper Committee date 27 Jany 1701

53	8	7
406	13	1

A Warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay Henry Ferne Esq on order in discharge of Mr Barker's Bill of the 16th instant £100.

28th August 1705 LLC 1

The treasurer Reports That he had received the 3 cakes of silver mentioned in the minutes of the last day. And the same being now weighed in Court were found full weight.

The treasurer further reports that he had paid for 20 sacks for the bone ashes £3 5s which was entered in the cash book, but no Warrant drawn for the same.

The following letters were read viz.

One from Anthony Barker of the 24th advising of Refining operations of 65 ounces 12 penny weight of Silver.

He also advises of a Bill drawn by him on the treasurer the 18th instant for £30 payable to Mr Thomas Biggins or order at 21 days sight.

A letter from Charles Alsopp & Thomas Pattinson of the 20th advising of refining operations of 66 ounces of silver.

One from Charles Harford of ye 25th with a bill inclosed for £96 drawn by John Stork on Richard Holditch.

Warrants were drawn on the treasurer to pay the following sums viz.

To Mr Thomas Biggins or order in discharge of Mr Barker's Bill of the 18th inst £30

To Mr John Tanner or order for 12 Month Interest of £50 lent ye society concerned in the Royal Mines &c due the 12th instant £3

4th September 1705 LLC 1

The messenger reports that he had bespoke forty bushels of bone ashes at 3s 6d per bushel for Ryton Cupola, pursuant to an order of the last day. And that they will be ready in a day or two.

Ordered. That John Haddon get carriage for them to Ryton

The following letters were read viz.

One from Anthony Barker of the 28th of August with a very acceptable account of the company's Works, And also advising of two bills drawn by him on the treasurer the 27th ulto., payable to the order of Mr Robert Pigot, one of the said bills being for £100, 28 days after date, & the other for £79 7s, 21 days after date, which is in full for the farm of Lead ore to midsummer last.

One from Charles Alsopp of the 27th Ult., with a Cupola Pay Bill to same day, balance in his favour £275 19s 4½d

He also advises of refining operations quantity of silver forty ounces.

One from Charles Harford of ye first instant with a Bill on Joseph Buckly for £100.

Ordered

That Cornelius Mason write to Holland, to inform himself of the price of lead there.

The minutes of the sub-committee read & confirmed.

It appearing to this board that there is due to Messrs John & Nathanael Matson for Old Committee money in the Society concerned in the Royal Mines &c.,	£	s	d
as per Warrant date 27 January 1701	8	11	3

And that there is likewise due to the said Nathaniel Matson,
which he lent the said Society, as per warrant 16 March 1702

And for the Interest thereof from the 2nd of February
last to the 2nd instant

And that there is further due to the said Nathaniel Matson
for New Committee money in the said Society

Making together ye sum of

It appearing likewise to this board

That there is due to Richard Matthew for Principal & interest on a Warrant signed by the committee of the Society concerned in the said Royal Mines &c to the 8th instant

For Old committee money in the said Society

for New Committee money in the said Society

Making together

Ordered. That ye common Seal of this corporation be now affixed to two Bonds viz. One of them for £50 16s 4d to be made payable to ye said Nathanael Matson or his assigns, on the 5th day of March next. And the other for £150 to be made payable to the said Richard Matthew or his assigns on the said 5th day of March next.

And that ye common Seal of this corporation be likewise now affixed to three other bonds for £100 each to be severally made payable to Jacob Franklin, John Haddon, & Samuel Davis or their respective assigns, on the said 5th day of March next.

And the common Seal of this company was accordingly affixed to the said severall Bonds in open court, & attested by the secretary and messenger.

And whereas the said Jacob Franklin, John Haddon, & Samuel Davis (by the special order & direction of this Board) did severally endorse their names on the said severall Bonds so made payable to them of their respective assigns as aforesaid. And did severally deliver the same to Peter de Lanney Esq for value received of him thereon by the treasurer, for the use of this corporation.

Now It is hereby declared & agreed That the Court will from time to time & at all times hereafter well & sufficiently save harmless & keep indemnified the said Jacob Franklin, John Haddon, & Samuel Davis, & every of them their & every of their executors & administrators goods & chattels of & from the said severall Bonds & all costs charges troubles damages & expenses concerning the same.

Ordered. That the treasurer be debited in this company's books for the said £300. Which was done accordingly.

Warrants drawn on the treasurer to pay the following sums viz.

To Mr Robert Pigot or order in discharge of Mr Barker's Bill of ye 27th of August, £100

To Mr Robert Pigot or order in discharge of one other Bill, drawn by Mr Barker of the same date £79 7s

These two bills were comprised in one Warrant £179 7s 0d.

11th September 1705 LLC 1

The following letters were read viz.

One from Anthony Barker of the 31st ulto., advising of a Bill drawn by him on the Treasurer on the 30th for £100 payable to Henry Ferne Esq or order at 21 dayes sight value received of Mr Edmund Smith, and a Warrant drawn for payment thereof.

He advises also of refining of 26 ounces 10pw of silver .

Another letter from Anthony Barker of ye 7th instant, with Richard Payne's Note inclosed for delivery of four cakes of Silver qt 304 ounces 12 penny weight carriage, 7s.

He also informs of a small bundle of writings sent up being Ralph Reeves Accounts.

Ordered. That the treasurer deliver Richard Payne's Note to the messenger, which was done accordingly.

A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 3rd inst advising of a Bill drawn by him on the treasurer the 31th of August for £200 payable to Nicholas Ridley or order at 25 days date. And a Warrant drawn for ye paymt thereof.

He likewise advises of reining 76 ounces of Silver.

With this letter came the Paybill for Blackhalls Mine. Also a Paybill for Carriage of Ore &c., to the 3rd inst Balance in the accountants favour £486 19s 4½d

A letter from Charles Harford of the same date, with his account, and two bills inclosed viz.

One bill on Jonathan & Samuel James for £80

One other bill on Mr Wall for £56 8s 6d

A Warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay Mr Thomas Kirby or order, for the Interest of £100 lent the Society concerned in the Royal Mines &c., to this day. £6 9s

Ordered. That the treasurer take up the Warrant signed by the Committee of the said Society, And

That the Common Seal of this corporation be now affixed to one Bond for the said One hundred pounds, to be made payable to the said Thomas Kirby or his assigns, on the 12th day of March next, which was done accordingly, & attested by the secretary & messenger.

Ordered. That Dr Edward Wright & Mr John Haddon speak to Esq Errington about the Pay of Blagill in the North.

The minutes of the sub-committee were read & confirmed.

Ordered. That Dr Wright provide scales & weights to be sent to Charles Alsopp, for weighing of the Silver.

A Warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay John Gardner or order, for forty bushels of bone ashes £8.

18th September 1705

Resolved & Agreed.

That this company will buy all the lead that is unsold at Newcastle, belonging to the Ryton Proprietors at £8 for each Newcastle fodder.

Mr Thomas Cooper Reports, that he had agreed for carriage of the bone ashes at 4s per hundred at most.

Ordered. That the messenger send them into the carriers tomorrow morning, and endeavour to get some abatement in the price of carriage.

Mr Treasurer Reports That he hath received the parcel of Silver mentioned in the minutes of the last day, which wanted a small matter of weight. And that he had sent the same, together

with the other Silver he had before by him to the Tower, And that he would report further of the affair to this board at their next meeting.

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 14th advising of a refining operation of 58oz 15pw of silver.

Ordered. That Mr Deputy Governor examine Mr Harford's Account, & Report the same to this Board, this day seven night.

Patience Ashfield Executrix of Thomas Hart deceased appearing at the Board, & desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company. And the said Patience Ashfield did at the same time transferr to this corporation in their Politick Capacity, ten shares in the Stock & Profits of the Royall Mines Copper & other workes vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees, pursuant to the Resolutions of a General Court of this corporation held the 19th day of June last.

A Warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay William Midford or order for ye freight of 200 pieces of Lead from Newcastle to London £10

A Warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay Mary Saner or Order for forty bushels of bone ashes £7

25th September 1705 LLC 1

The Treasurer's Report about ye silver sent to the Tower.

Mr John Haddon reports that he had shipped 40 bushells of bone ashes & iron pots, on board the William & Henry of Newcastle, William Midford, Master. And had paid 5s charges on the shipping thereof, which Mr Cooper repaid him out of the Petty Cash.

The Depty Governor Reports That he had examined Charles Harford's Account, & had found ye following error therein viz.

In the first Article on the Credit side of his said Account there is charged

a sum of £87 6s 6d

Which should be but £84 5s 0d

Which makes in his favour ye sum of £3 1s 6d

Ordered. That a letter be wrote to the said Charles Harford the next Court day, or next occasion of writing to him to inform him thereof.

The messenger reports that 40 bushells of Bone ashes were sent in ten Sacks for Chester Vizt.

By John Tanner 4 sacks

By Samuel Pickering 3 sacks

By Arthur Harding 3 sacks

The secretary Reports that since the last court there had been transferred by John Lambe to this corporation in their Politick Capacity, two shares in the stock & Profits of the Ryton Lead Workes, pursuant to the Resolutions of a General Court of this corporation held the 19th day of June last. Which shares were so transferred by the direction, and for the account of Dr Edward Wright.

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 21th advising of a refineing operation of 306 ounces 5pw silver, And from the Cabbage Lead 29oz 10pw

Also an Account inclosed of moneys paid to miners for farm & bought ore, & what ore is come in since, & not paid for in full. And that he will send the rest of the account speedily. A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 17th advising of a refining operation of 24 ounces of silver. And also that he had sent by Edward Simpson the carrier One hundred eighty six ounces of silver for delivery of which in London said Simpson's Note was inclosed. One from Jeremiah Hunter of the 4th with a bill of loading inclosed for 200 pieces of lead shipped in the William & Henry of Newcastle William Midford, Master, for freight whereof a Warrant was given last Court day.

Mr Treasurer reports that he had received of Urban Hall Esq the sum of fifteen hundred pounds on account of a parcel of lead sold the United East India Company, a more particular account of which contract is entred in the minutes of the sub-committee of trade & correspondence.

Richard Collett appearing at the Board, & desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

John Knight appearing at the Board, & desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company. And at the same time transferred to this corporation in their Politick Capacity tenn shares in the Stock & Profits of the Royal Mines Copper & other workes vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees, And also two shares in the Stock & profits of the Ryton Lead Works, pursuant to the Resolutions of a General Court of this corporation held the 19th day of June last.

Warrants were drawn on the Treasurer to pay the following sums Viz.

To himself paid custom & charges on 40 tuns of lead sold the United East India Comp and shipped on board the Limpo Frigot for Mocoa	£40	11	9
To Michael Russell for 12 Month Interest of £250 lent the Society concerned in the Royal Mines &c. due the 7th instant	15	0	0
To Matthew Palfree for two Pair of refining bellows sent into Wales	10	10	0
To Thomas Cooper for Petty Expenses	10	0	0
To Mary Saner for 40 bushells of Bone ashes & casks	8	18	0
To Richard Diamond for 12 Months Interest of £50 lent the society concerned in ye Royall Mines &c due the 13th Instant	3	0	0

2nd October 1705 LLC 1

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 24th of Sept with an account of refining quantity of silver 44oz.

One from Anthony Barker of the 26th of Sept & another from Anthony Barker of the 28th with an account of refining quantity of silver 142oz 10pw

And Richard Payne's Note inclosed for delivery of 429oz 5pw of silver, carriage 10s

He further informs that he had sent up his accounts, & that on the 26th of Sept he drew a Bill on the treasurer for £100 payable to Henry Ferne Esq or order at 21 days sight value received of Mr Edmund Smith.

Said Barker in his letter of the 28th Sept gives the several numbers & marks of distinction put on the Lead sent for London, which are entered in the Memorandum book.

The secretary reported that since the last court there had been transferred to this corporation in their Politick Capacity by Richard Collett for the account of Thomas Oade (by virtue of a letter of Attorney dated the 31th day of July last) two shares in the Stock and profits of the Ryton Lead Works, pursuant to the Resolutions of a General Court of this corporation held the 19th day of June last.

Mr Treasurer reported that he had bought of Henry Neale the scales & weights for Charles Alsopp & sent them by Simpson the carrier for which he had paid Neale £1 19s.

That he had received the parcel of silver from ye North mentioned in the minutes of the last day, & the same being now weighed in Court, was found to contain 182oz 10pw and no more.

That the Silver last sent to the Tower (Ingot No3) weighed 43lb 7oz 10pw fine

Being 13pw & ½ better, making standard 46 lb. 3 oz 6 pw 16 gr

At 5s 2d per oz comes to £143 9s

Which monies he had received for the same

That he had paid Mary Saner for 40 bushells of Bone ashes £7 0s 0d

And for ten sacks for the same £1 12s 6d

Making together £8 12s 6d

That they are sent to the Castle & Falkon Inn, to pay 4s per cwt carriage. And that 4 sacks No22, 23, 26, 30 are already gone by Thomas Harrison the carrier.

Warrants drawn on the treasurer to pay ye following sums viz

To Henry Ferne Esq or order in discharge of Mr Barker's Bill of the 26th Sept

£100 0 0

To himself paid Mary Saner for 40 bushells of bone ashes & ten sacks as above

£8 12 6

To Capt John Cooke or order for ye freight of 92 tunns & ½ of lead from Chester to London & two thirds of Port charges

£263 0 0

To Samuel Quinton or order for a quarters salary due at Michas last

£5 0 0

Ordered. That the treasurer pay John Clarke ye messenger to this company in full for his service to Michas last £3 15s 0d

Ordered. That Mr de Lannoy write to Mr Mowld of Hull in answer to his of the 22nd of Sept, With commission to buy 20 fodder of lead at £8 5s per fodder, or thereabouts, which is to be for the account and risque of this company & said de Lannoy indemnified therefrom Which letter was accordingly wrote in Court, & a copy thereof entered in this company's copy book of letters.

It appearing to this board that the treasurer has paid two fifty pounds to Richard Andrews for farm of Lead ore in Wales, & said £100 given Credit for in Anthony Barker's Accounts, which was omitted being entered in the Cash Book, and the treasurer also producing receipts of the 15th & 17th of February last, under the hand of the said Richard Andrews for the said sums.

Ordered. That he be now credited for the same, which was done accordingly.

Mr Treasurer Reports that John Beighton had desired 16 pigs of Welsh Lead, which were sent him, but the weight not yet brought in, nor the price agreed on.

9th October 1705 LLC 1

A letter from Charles Alsopp advised last months refining at 183 oz of silver and William Teasdales note inclosed for its delivery to London.

He likewise advises of a bill drawn by him on the treasurer for £19 10s 0d payable to Thomas Hauxby or order at 30 days sight.

Another letter from Charles Alsopp of the 4th inst advising of a bill drawn by him on the treasurer the 3rd inst for £200. Another bill of the same date payable to John Stephenson or order at 20 days date for £100.

And that he had received of Robert Fenwick for one hundred & fourteen pigs of Lead the sum of £89 3s 0d

A letter from Anthony Barker of the 29th of Sept and another of the 3rd inst., advising of a Bill drawn by him on the treasurer the 2d inst., for £50 payable to Thomas Webb or order at 21 days sight. And another on the 3rd inst for £200 payable at the same sight to the order of Aldran William Allen.

Another Letter from Anthony Barker of the 5th inst with an Account inclosed of all the Silver sent for London since they began to refine, amounting to two thousand nine hundred ninety one ounces seventeen penny weight & an half.

Warrants drawn on the treasurer to pay the following sums viz.

To Thomas Hauxley or order for Mr Alsopp's Bill of ye 1 inst	19	10	0
To Nicholas Ridley for Mr Alsopps Bill of ye 3d inst	200	0	0
To John Stephenson for Mr Alsopp's Bill of do date	100	0	0
To Thomas Webb for Mr Barker's Bill of ye 2d inst	50	0	0
To Aldran Wm Allen for Mr Barker's Bill of the 2d inst	200	0	0

A Warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay the several persons under named, or their Order the severall following sums viz.

To Michael Russell	1	1	5
To John Haddon	15	8	7
To Urban Hall Esq	3	11	1
To Thomas Cooper	16	2	7
To himself	15	8	7
To Jacob Franklin	7	11	11
To Enoch Floyd	15	7	5
To Cornelius Mason	9	14	9
To Peter de Lannoy Esq	9	0	2
To Samuel Davis	9	17	1
Total is	<u>103</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>7</u>

Being so much to them respectively due for their attendance on the committee for managing the Royal Mines & from the day of _____ to the 7th day of July 1705 inclusive as per minutes of the sub-committee of Trade & correspondence held the 21st day of August last. A Warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay Capt. Thomas Baker or order for the freight of ninety one tunn of Lead from Chester to London & 2 thirds of Port charges £259 3s 0d

Mr Deputy Governor reports that he has received £10 of Mr Fincher, for Lead sold him,
Which he now paid to the treasurer.

Mr Thomas Davis laid before the board a Warrant on the treasurer to the Society concerned in
the Royal Mines &c., for £100 lent the said Society 30 Aug 1704.

Ordered. That Dr Edward Wright (this company's Treasurer) take up & pay the said Warrant,
together with the Interest due thereon to this day, being £6 13s.

The said Thomas Davis proposing to the Board to send this company £100 for 6 months.

And Mr John Haddon proposing to send them £200 for the same time, this Board do accept
thereof &.

Ordered. That the common Seal of this corporation be now affixed to two severall Bonds.

One of the said Bonds to be for £100 & to be payable to the said Thomas Davis or his assigns
on the 10th day of April next.

And the other Bond to be for £200 & to be made payable to the said John Haddon or his
assigns on the said 10th day of April next. Which was done accordingly and attested by the
secretary & messenger.

Mr Treasurer Reports that he has received of Richard Payne the parcel of Silver mentioned in
the minutes of the last day. And that the same weighed 429 ounces & no more. And that he
had likewise received the parcel of silver from the North, both which he had sent to the Tower,
& would report further thereof the next court day.

Ordered. That the secretary inform the messenger of the names of such persons as have not
been furnished with a copy of the Resolutions of the General Court of this corporation held the
19th day of June last, that copies of the said Resolutions be forthwith sent them.

16th October 1705 LLC 1

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 8th with the Pay Bill at Ryton Cupola to the 6th instant,
Balance is in the accountants favour being £178 7s 0½d

He advises also of refining quantity of silver 59 ounces

12th

Mr treasurer made ye following reports viz.

That the bone ashes in ten sacks were sent to Wales for which he had paid £8 12s 6d

That he had received the silver from the North mentioned in the minutes of the last day, which
being now weighed in Court was found to contain 178oz 4pw.

That he had paid John Beighton for 390 pieces of small lead bought of him £218 14s 0d

Quantity 504 cwt. 2 qr 21 lb. at £8 9s per fodder.

That said Beighton had had 50 large pigs more of Welsh Lead

That Samuel Shepherd Esq had bought 50 Fodder 13cwt 0qr 18lb of Welsh lead at £9 12s per
fodder amounting to £486 9s 6d

And that he had paid custom & charges thereon £49 12s 6 d particulars thereof in the sub-
committee minutes.

That he had paid John Haddon for two Iron goods sent to Ryton	£4	10s	0d
To Mary Bawne for 6 months interest of £75 lent the Society	2	5	0
concerned in the Royal Mines due 31st August last			
To Robert Watts for trying the pressing of the tests	2	3	0

That the silver last sent to the Tower (Ingot No4) weighed 50lb 8oz 10pw fine being better 14pw making standard 53lb 10oz 17pw 12gr. At 5s 2d per oz. comes to £167 2s 0d Which monies he had received for the same.

Warrants were drawn on the Treasurer to pay the following sums viz.

	£	s	d
To himself paid Mary Saner for 40 bushels of bone ashes & ten sacks	8	12	6

To Treasurer custom & charges on the 50 fodder of Lead sold Samuel Shepherd

	49	12	6
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To Treasurer paid John Beighton for 390 pieces of small Lead

	218	14	0
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Ordered. That the treasurer be credited in the cashbook for the following sums paid sundry persons as above viz

To John Haddon	£4	10	0
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To Mary Bawne	£2	5	0
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To Robert Watts	£2	3	0
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Which was done accordingly.

Mary Bawne, & John Freame attending the board and appearing and desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon severally admitted a member of this company.

And the said John Freame did at the same time transfer to this corporation their Politick Capacity four shares in the Stock & Profits of the Royal Mines Copper & other works vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees, pursuant to the Resolutions of a General Court of this corporation held the 19th day of June last.

James Brace appearing at the Board, & desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

And the said James Brace did at the same time transfer to this corporation in their Politick Capacity five shares in the Stock & Profits of the Royal Mines Copper & other works vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees, pursuant to the Resolutions of a General Court of this corporation held the 19th day of June last.

Lascells Metcalfe appearing likewise at the board transferred to this corporation their Politick Capacity five shares in the Stock & Profits of the Royal Mines Copper & other works vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees, pursuant to the Resolutions of a General Court of this corporation held the 19th day of June last.

Ordered. That the treasurer take up & pay a Warrant for £5 1s 11d dated 27 January 1701 made payable to John Haddon from the treasurer of the Society concerned in the Royal Mines &c., being so much due to him for old committee money. And that the said Warrant shall be a sufficient Voucher for his so doing.

23rd October 1705 LLC 1

The following Letters were read viz.

One from Anthony Barker of the 16th

Another from Anthony Barker of the 19th advising of refining 90 oz of silver & Richard Payne's Note inclosed for delivery of 291 ounces 12 pennyweight of silver, carriage 6s which note was delivered to the messenger to receive the same.

He advises also of a Bill drawn by him the 17th for £160 payable to Henry Ferne Esq or order at 21 days sight, value received of Mr Edmund Smith. And a warrant was drawn on the treasurer to pay the same. Said Barker further advises of another bill drawn by him on the treasurer the 9th inst, for £100 payable to said Henry Ferne or order, in lieu of a Bill drawn by him the 26th of September for the same sum, for payment of which Warrant was drawn on the treasurer the 2nd inst & entred in the cash book.

And one other bill of the 17th for £50 payable to Robert Bulkley or order at 28 days sight for the value received of him in iron, and a Warrant was drawn on the treasurer to pay it.

A Letter from Charles Harford of the 18th inst with an account of Keen's last Cargo of lead, Balance due from him to the company being £326 5s 6d

A Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 15th with a Pay Bill for ore & carriage to the same day, Balance in the accountants favour being £624 10s 6½d

He likewise advises of a bill drawn by him on the treasurer the 13th inst for £300 payable to Nicholas Ridley or order at 25 days date. And a Warrant was drawn on the Treasurer to pay it. Also an account of refining 48 ounces of silver.

A letter from Jeremiah Hunter of the 13th with 3 bills of loading inclosed for 300 pieces of lead viz.

100 pieces. In the Jolly Angel of Yarmouth, Samuel Todd, Mar

100 pieces. In the Friends Goodwill of Scarborough, Wm Clarke, Mar

100 pieces In the Resolution of Ipswich. John Hamond, Mar

The freight whereof at 12d per piece amounting to £15. A warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay it as said lead shall arrive.

The secretary reports that since the last court there had been transferred to this corporation in their Politick Capacity 95 shares in the Stock & Profits of the Royal Mines Copper & other workes vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees, by the persons under named viz.

Peter de Lannoy Esq by Martha Richmond	25 shares
Urban Hall Esq	22
Abell Wilkinson	3
James Taylor	15
Peter de Lannoy Esq by Jasper Blythman	5
Mary Stamper	16
William Chambers	4
Thomas Hyam by Nath Markes & John Field	4
Richard Matthew by Susan Bound	1
	95 shares

Which shares were so transferred in pursuance of the resolutions of a General Court of this Corporation held ye 19th day of June last

Mr John Hester & Joseph Lacy appearing at the Board, & desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

And the said Joseph Lacy did at the same time transfer to this corporation in their Politick Capacity one share in the Stock & Profits of the Ryton Lead works, pursuant to the Resolutions of a General Court of this corporation held the 19th day of June last.

Nathaniel Rous, Mary Stamper & Thomas Hyam appearing at the Board, & desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the

Charter) before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

And the said Nathaniel Rous did at the same time transfer to this corporation in their Politick Capacity two shares in the Stock & Profits of the Ryton Lead workes, pursuant to the Resolutions of a General Court of this corporation held the 19th day of June last.

Ordered. That the treasurer pay Eliz Marshall for six months Interest of £100 lent the Society concerned in the Royal Mines &c due 6 Sept last £2 10s 0d

Mr Jacob Franklin laid before the Board the severall following Warrants due to him from the Society in the said Royal Mines &c vizt.

One Warrant date 16 March 1702 for	16	0	0
One other Warrant date 4 July 1704 for	100	0	0
One other Warrant date 26 Sept 1704 for	300	0	0
One other Warrant of the same date for	100	0	0
Making together	£516	0	0

Ordered. That the treasurer take up & pay the said severall Warrants And that the same shall be sufficient vouchers for his so doing

Ordered. That a Warrant be drawn on the Treasurer to pay the Interest on the said severall sums to this day amounting to. £37 11s 0d

Which was done accordingly

The said Jacob Franklin proposing to the Board to lend this company £516 for 6 Months they do accept thereof.

Ordered.. That ye common seal of this corporation be now affixed to three severall Bonds, to be severally made payable to the said Jacob Franklin or his assigns on the 24th day of April next viz.

One bond for	£200
One Bond for	£150
One other Bond for	£166

Which was done accordingly & attested

by the secretary and messenger making together £516

Urban Hall Esq laid before the Board two Warrants due from the Society concerned in the said Royal Mines &c viz.

One Warrant date 27 Jan 1701 due to him for

Old Committee mony, being for £0 4 10

The other date 26 Sept 1704 due to him for money

lent the said Society, being for £110 0 0

Making together £110 4 10

Ordered. That the treasurer take up & pay the said Warrants And that the same shall be sufficient vouchers for his so doing.

Ordered. That a Warrant be drawn on the treasurer to pay the interest of the said £110 to this day, amounting to £8 1s 0d which was done accordingly.

The said Urban Hall proposing to the Board to lend this Company £110 for 6 Months they do accept thereof.

Ordered. That ye common seal of this corporation be now affixed to one Bond for the said sum, to be payable to the said Urban Hall of his assigns on the 24th day of April next. Which was done accordingly, and attested by the Secretary & messenger.

The messenger reports that 40 bushells of bone ashes will be ready to send to Wales on Thursday next, And that he had got 10 sacks ready for the same.

Ordered. That a Warrant be drawn on the Treasurer to pay Mary Saner of order for the said Ashes & sacks £8 12s 6d. Which was done accordingly, & signed by the Board.

30th October 1705 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker advised of refining 93 oz of silver. And that he had drawn a bill on the Treasurer to pay the order of Wm Hughes at tendays sight. £12.

Another letter from Anthony Barker of the 26th with advice of refining a further 149 oz 16 pw of silver, inclosed was Richard Payne's note for delivery of 6 cakes of silver 183 oz carriage 4s 6d.

Said Barker also advises of a bill drawn by him on the treasurer the 24th payable to the order of Thomas Biggins at 21 days sight for £50

And a Warrant was drawn on the Treasurer to pay it.

Letter from Charles Alsopp with advice of refining 96 ounces of silver also the New Tyne Green and Longholehead paybill balance in the accountants favour £696 0s 10¼d

One from Jer Hunter of the 20th with a Bill of loading inclosed for 185 pieces of Lead shipped in the Robert & Elizabeth of Whitby, Richard Ableson Master,. The freight whereof at 12d per piece comes to £9:5:0. And a Warrant was drawn on the Treasurer to pay it

A letter from Charles Harford of the 22nd with 4 bills inclosed Viz.

3 bills by William Batt on Charles Batt for £50 each	£150
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One Bill by Thomas Oade on Thomas Busby	£ 37
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Making together	£187
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A warrant drawn on the treasurer to repay himself the sum of £100 18s 0d Being so much by him paid for the customs & charges of 99 fodder 16 cwt of lead shipped in the Auranzeeb for India.

The secretary reports that since the last Court there had been transferred to this corporation in their Politick Capacity five shares in the Stock & Profits of the Royal Mines Copper & other works vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees, pursuant to the Resolutions of a General Court of this corporation held the 19th day of June last. Vizt

By Gilbert Molleson	5 shares
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By John Bellers	15
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Making together	20 shares
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The Messenger reports that the 40 bushells of Bone ashes in 10 sacks, mentioned in the minutes of the last day were sent the 26th inst Vizt.

Per	Richard Hawkes	4 sacks	No 41: 43: 46: 48
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Per	John Parrott	3 sacks	No 42: 44: 50
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Per	Josiah Brookes	3 sacks	No 45: 47: 49
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At 4s6d per cwt

The Deputy Governor reports the weight of the sixteen piggs of lead sold John Beighton 29 Sept.,	46 cwt 2qr 18lb
50 piggs October the 12th	144cwt 3qr 10lb

In all is 9 fodder at £8 8s per fodder comes to £82 10s 0d.

Resolved

That Dr Edward Wright & Mr John Haddon be empowered to enquire what sale may be found for Litharge, & to contract with such persons, & for such quantities thereof, for the account of this company as they shall think fitt, And report their proceeding therein to this Board.

Ordered. That Mr Deputy Governor and Dr Edward Wright speak to Esquire Renda about several books and papers which remain in his custody belonging to this Corporation.

6 November 1705 LLC 1

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 29th of October advising of a bill drawn by him on the treasurer the 26th of the same month payable to Nicholas Ridley or order 25 days after date for £100. He also advises of refining 68 ounces of silver and that he had sent by William Teasdale 204 oz of silver for delivery to London.

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 2nd inst. with an account of refining 260 ounces of silver.

And that he drew a bill on the treasurer the 31st of October payable to the order of Henry Ferne Esq (value received of Mr Edward Smith) for £50.

And a Warrant was drawn on the treasurer to pay it.

Mr John Freame laid before the Board a Warrant dated 26 Sept 1704 for £100 due to him from the Society concerned in the Royal Mines &c., being so much lent them. Upon which Warrant there is due for Interest to this day £6 17s 8d

Ordered. That the treasurer take up & pay the said Warrant and the Interest thereon due And that the same shall be a sufficient voucher for his so doing.

The said John Freame proposing to the Board to lend this company £100 for 6 months, they do accept thereof.

Ordered. That the common seal of this corporation be now affixed to one Bond for the said sum to be made payable to the said John Freame or his assigns on the 7th day of May next.

Which was done accordingly & attested by the Secretary and messenger.

Mr Treasurer reports that he had received ye last parcels of silver sent from Wales mentioned in the Minutes of 23 & 30 October And that it wanted 1oz 4pw. That he had sent these two parcels, together with that last sent from the north, to the Tower. And would report further thereof to this Board at their next meeting. The minutes of the Sub-committee read & confirmed.

John Beighton brought in Bills of parcels for 380 pieces of lead 54 tun 3 cwt 3 qtr 23 lb. amounting to £511 16s 10d the particulars thereof in the sub-committee minutes.

13th November 1705 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker with advice of refining 81 ounces of silver and Richard Payne's note for 10 cakes of silver 347 oz 4 pw carriage 7s 6d.

He further advises of a bill drawn by him on the treasurer payable to Henry Ferne Esq or order at 21 days sight value received of Mr Edmund Smith for £160
 And that he had received of Richard Payne by the order of Dr Wright £10
 And a Warrant was drawn for repayment thereof.
 A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 5th advising of refining 102oz of silver.
 And that he drew a bill on the treasurer the first inst for £200:0:0
 Payable to Ambrose Barnes or order at 25 days date.
 And a Warrant was drawn on the treasurer to pay it.
 Warrants were likewise drawn on the Treasurer to pay the following sums viz.
 To Sir John Fleet & Company for Wharfage & lighterage of Lead to the 23th of September last inclusive £13 13s 9d

To himself paid custom, Cocket, Searchers &c., on a parcel of Lead shipped on board the Halifax for India	£11 9s 0d
To Mary Saner for forty bushels of Bone ashes and ten sacks	£ 8 12s 6d
To himself for a bill sent down to Mr Barker dated the 17 th of August last, payable by John Crowther to James Brindley or Bearer on the 17 th inst	£23 0s 0d

Mr Treasurer reports that he had paid John Beighton on account of lead bought of him £510

Ordered. That he be now credited for the same in ye cash book. Which was accordingly done.

Mr Treasurer further reports as followeth viz

The silver last sent to the tower (Ingot No 5) weighed 54 lb. 1 oz fine being 16 pw and a half better making 58 lb. 1 oz 4 pw 18 gr. standard at 5s 2d comes to £180 2s 3d which monies he had received.

He had received off Samuel Shepherd £150 on account of lead sold him. He had received £1000 from Urban Hall Esq., for lead sold to the East India Company.

That he had discoursed the persons that use Litharge pursuant to a minute of the 30th of October. And that it is desired a tun or two may be delivered for a tryall.
 That he had received the parcel of silver from the North, mentioned in the minutes of the last day. And the same being now weighed in Court, was found full weight.

Ordered. That if any person comes to the Treasurer for monies on account of farm due to Sir Richard Grosvenor, he may pay the same, pursuant to advice from Mr Barker in his letter of the 9th instant, not exceeding £100

Ordered. That Dr. Wright and Mr Haddon provide a pair of large double bellows for the Slag hearth in the North, of the same sort as those sent into Wales.

William Kempster attending the Board & proposing to serve the company as their Accountant or Book Keeper, for a salary of £20 per Annum.
 Resolved and Ordered.

That the said William Kempster be accordingly admitted as this company's accountant or Book Keeper, at a salary of £20 per Annum, payable quarterly, to commence from Michaelmas last. The said William Kempster being to bring up all the accounts that are behind, to attend the Court of Assistants and sub-committees as often as there shall be occasion for their meeting.

To which he agreed, & thereupon took the Oath of fidelity to the Company, being admitted by the Governor in Open Court.

20th November 1705 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 13th with account of refining 91 ounces 10 pw of silver and another of the 16th with an account of refining 96 oz 10 pw of silver and that he had sent by Richard Payne 6 cakes of silver 172 oz 10 pw for delivery to London, carriage 4s.

A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 12th with an account of refining 82 ounces of silver, and that he had sent by Edward Simpson 253 ounces 15 pw of silver, carriage 4s 6d for delivery whereof in London, said Simpson's note was enclosed.

Charles Alsopp also advises of a Bill drawn by him on the Treasurer the 12th inst payable to Nicholas Ridley or order at 25 days date for £50:0:0

A Warrant drawn for payment of the said Bill.

Dr Wright & Mr Haddon Report that they have bespoke a pair of large double bellows for the Slag hearth in the North and that they would be got ready with all speed.

Dr Wright reports That he has endeavoured to speak with Esq Renda, but was informed he is out of town, so had wrote to him.

Dr Wright further reports that he had received the ten cakes of silver, from Wales, mentioned in the minutes of the last day, which held full weight,

That he had sent the same, & also the last parcel of silver from the North, to the Tower, and would report further thereof next Court day.

A Warrant drawn on the treasurer to repay himself £161 6s 6d.

Being so much by him paid and disbursed for the custom & charges of Lead shipped in several ships for India, as per minutes of the sub-committee held this day.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Elizabeth Marshall or order £15 for six months Interest of five hundred pounds due the 6th instant.

27th November 1705 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 20th advising of refining 81 ounces of silver

Letter from Anthony Barker with an invoice for 799 pigs of lead weight 104 tun 4 cwt 18 lb. shipped in the Penelope, John Lyon Master charges thereon £18 13s.

Likewise a Bill of loading for 792 pigs of lead weight 100 tun 2 cwt 3 qtr 5 lb. shipped with Captain Fisher.

He also advises of refining 87 oz 10 pw of silver.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 19th with a Cupola Pay-bill to the 17th inst
Balance due to the Company £49 13s 6¾d

Which Bill was delivered to Mr Deputy Governor to examine said Alsopp also advises of a bill drawn by him on the Treasurer the 16th instant payable to Nicholas Ridley or order at 42 days date for £455 16s 9d

A Warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay it.

Charles Alsopp gives an account of refining 106 oz of silver

Mr Treasurer reports that the silver last sent to the Tower (Ingot No6) weighed 45lb 7oz 0pw fine being better 16 pw making standard 48 lb. 10 oz 8 pw 11 gr. at 5s 2d per oz comes to £151 9s 8d.

Which monies he had received for the same.

Treasurer further reports that he had received the parcel of silver from Wales And also that from the North, mentioned in the minutes of the last day. And the same being now weighed in court the silver from the North, held full weight but that from Wales wanted some few penny weight.

The Minutes of the sub-committee read & confirmed.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to repay himself £5 12s 6d. The particulars thereof in the minutes of the said sub-committee held this day.

Mr Treasurer reports that he had received of Urban Hall Esq for the account of the East India Company £500

Which makes £3000 received of them upon the account of this last shipping.

The Charter parties between the company and Capt. Baker were read & examined in court.

Ordered. That the common Seal of this corporation be now affixed to one part of the said Charter party and delivered to the said Capt. Baker, upon his executing his part to the company.

And the common Seale of this Corporation was accordingly affixed thereto, and attested by the secretary & messenger.

4th December 1705 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 24th Ult with a bill of loading enclosed for 339 pigs of lead quantity 44 tun 1 cwt 3 qtr 27 lb. shipped in the Owners Adventurer of Milford, John Brazil Master, for Bristol

Another from Anthony Barker of the 27th ult with an account of refining 85 ounces of silver.

Another from Anthony Barker of the 30th ult With Richard Payne's Wife's Note for delivery of 12 cakes of silver qt 350 oz Carriage 7s 6d Which Note was delivered to the messenger to receive the same.

He also advises of refining 70 oz of silver.

One from Charles Alsopp of the 26th ult with Blagill's Paybill to the 19th of the same month. Balance due to him £21:19:4

Also a Pay bill for ore carriage to the 24th of ye same month,

Balance in the accountants favour £362 4s 10d.

Which Bill the Deputy Governor is desired to examine.

He also advises of refining, quantity of silver 92 oz.

The Treasurer reported Capt. Baker had executed his Charter party with the company, whereupon he had delivered him that part to which the common Seal of this Corporation was affixed the last Court day, according to an order then made in that behalf.

Mr Treasurer Reports that he had paid John Alsopp for a parcel of lead 60 ton of him £312 18s 0d. The particulars thereof in the minutes of the sub-committee held this day.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to repay himself the same.

Patience Ashfield (Executrix of Thomas Harte deceased) laid before the Board a Warrant dated the 16th of March 1702 due from the Society concerned in the Royal Mines &c being so much lent them by the said Thomas Harte the 19th of January 1702 upon which Warrant is due for Interest the sum of £1 2s 0d

Ordered. That the Treasurer take up and pay the said Warrant and the Interest due thereon. And that the same shall be a sufficient Voucher for his so doing.

John Bellerio appearing at the Board, & desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

In the letter to Charles Alsopp was enclosed a Bill for £30 dated the 26th of November drawn by Francis Talbot on William Selby, and payable to Richard Collet or order.

Ordered. That the Secretary shall not at any time hereafter write, or fill up any blank Transfer or acceptance of any share or shares in the General Joynt Stock of this Corporation without first receiving the monies for the same, pursuant to an order of this Board made the 17th day of July last, that is to say, The sum of two shillings and six pence for every Transfer, and one shilling & six pence for every Acceptance, including the stamp.

And that the names of the person, with their titles and the number of shares to be transferred be given to the Secretary in writing.

And that in case of any error or mistake committed in the writing or filling up the same, occasioned or happening by misdirection, of the transferee or acceptor, such transferor or acceptor shall pay the charges thereof. And also pay down other monies for any new transfer or acceptance that shall afterwards be made, in lieu or stead thereof.

11th December 1705 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker of the first inst with an Invoice of the lead shipped in Capt. Fisher for London, charges thereon £16 6s 6d.

Also an Invoice of Lead shipped in the Owners Adventure for Bristol, charges thereon £3 11s 0d.

Another letter from Anthony Barker of the 7th with Richard Payne's Note enclosed for delivery of 6 cakes of silver quantity 140 oz. Which note was delivered to the messenger to receive the same.

One from Charles Alsopp of the 3rd instant with an account of refining quantity of silver 86oz. and Alexander Burrell's Note enclosed for delivery of 283oz 5pwt of silver.

Which Note was likewise delivered to the messenger to receive the same.

The treasurer reports that the Welsh Silver advised of last week held full weight.

That all the silver that is in town is sent to the Tower. And that he will report further thereof the next court day.

That 20 bushels more of bone ashes are bought of Mary Saner, & sent in 5 sacks to Richard Payne's Warehouse, for which he had paid £3 10s 0d

And that he had also paid £2 0s 0d

For boatage of lead to the Oranzeeb.

Ordered. That he have credit now given him in the Cash book for the said £3 10s 0d and 40s Which was done accordingly.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to repay himself the sum of £207 18s 0d

Paid John Beighton in full for lead bought of him.

Dr Christopher Crell, Mr Thomas Hale and Mr Charles du Bois appearing at the Board, & desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

Mr Enoch Floyd laid before the Board five several Warrants, all of them dated 26 Sept 1704 due to him from the Society concerned in the Royal Mines &c for £100 each.

Ordered. That the Treasurer take up & pay the said several Warrants. And that the same shall be sufficient Vouchers for his so doing.

Ordered. That a Warrant be drawn on the Treasurer to pay the Interest due on the said severall Warrants to this day amounting to £15 6s 8d.

Which was done accordingly, signed by the board.

The said Enoch Floyd proposing to the Board to lend this Company £500 for six months, they do accept thereof.

Ordered. That the common Seal of this Corporation be now affixed to five several Bonds for £100 each to be severally made payable to the said Enoch Floyd or his assigns on the 12th day of June next.

Which was done accordingly, and attested by the secretary and messenger.

Mr John Haddon proposing to the Board to lend this company One hundred pounds for six month, they do accept thereof.

Ordered. That the common Seal of this Corporation be now affixed to one Bond for the said sum, to be made payable to the said John Haddon or his assigns on the twelfth day of June next.

Which was done accordingly, and attested by the secretary and messenger.

The Deputy Governor reports that he had examined Charles Alsopps, Accounts, & finds them right.

18th December 1705 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 11th instant advising of a bill drawn by him on the Treasurer for £200 payable to Aldran William Allen, or his order at 21 days sight.

A Warrant drawn for payment of the said Bill

Another letter from said Barker of the 14th with an account of refining quantity of silver 326oz 14pw. He advises also of two bills drawn by him on the Treasurer and payable to Mr Robert Pigot or order at 14 days sight, One for £30 and the other for £46 13s 9d. Which with sum of £100 paid Mr Richard Andrews, pursuant to an order of this Board the 13th of November make together ye sum of £176 13s 9d and is in full for farm of lead ore due to the executors of Sir Thomas Grosvenor deceased to Michaelmas last.

A Warrant drawn for payment of the said £176 13s 9d

Mr Treasurer made the following reports viz.

That himself and Mr Haddon had been at Esq Errington's lodgings (which are by the Gate in Grays Inn lane) but had not yet seen him.

That he had received the two parcels of silver mentioned in the minutes of the last day, which held full weight.

That the silver last sent to the Tower (Ingot No7) weighed 64 lb. 5 oz 10 pw fine being better 16 pw and a half making 69 lb. 2 oz 19 pw 1 9gr standard at 5s 2d comes to £214 13s 0d.

Which monies he had received for the same.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Mr Tomas Biggins or order £8

As per bill advised of by Anthony Barker in his letter of the 7th instant.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to repay himself £20 sent down to said Anthony Barker per Richard Payne.

Mr Treasurer reports that he had delivered to Mr Richard Adams (late Treasurer to this company) A General Release under their common Seal upon his receiving from him a General release to this company, pursuant to an order in that behalf, made the 6th day of March last. Ordered. That William Kempster lay before this Board at their next meeting a true state of the Ryton Account due to the Old Proprietors.

Resolved

That a court be held the last day of this inst December, between the hours of 2 and 4 in the afternoon, for the Election of a Governor Deputy Governor and ten Assistants for the year ensuing, according to the appointment of the Charter.

Ordered. That the secretary give out summonses accordingly and affix ten days public notice thereof on the Royall Exchange.

And that he also prepare an alphabetical list of the members, and of the names of the present Governor Deputy Governor Assistants, in order to be printed.

Ordered. That the Deputy Governor supervise the same, and get it printed.

The Board took into consideration, what distinction would be proper to be procured by a grant from the Lord High Treasurer, to be put upon the coin of ye silver of this corporation.

Resolved.

That in as much as this corporation doth make silver both in England & Wales, the Lord High Treasurer be petitioned for two Roses & two Feathers quartered. As the emblems of England and Wales.

Resolved.

That Mr Governor, Mr Deputy Governor, Mr Treasurer, Mr John Haddon or any two of them, do prepare a petition, And get a draught of the distinction so quartered. And endeavour to obtain a grant thereof, with all convenient speed.

24th December 1705 LLC 1

Letters from Anthony Barker of the 21th instant advising of a bill drawn by him on the Treasurer the 20th for. £100 payable to Aldran Wm Allen or order at 21 days sight.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay it.

In his letter was enclosed Richard Payne's Note for delivery of 14 cakes of silver quantity 423oz 6pw & ½.

Which Note was delivered to the messenger to receive it.

Said Barker also gives Account of refining quantity of silver 176oz 2pw & ½.

One from Charles Alsopp of the 17th advising of a bill drawn by him on the treasurer the 14th inst payable to Nicholas Ridley or order at 28 days date for £186

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay it.

The Secretary reported that he had sent out summonses to the several members, for the Court to be held on Monday the 31st instant, And affixed public notice thereof on the Royal Exchange,

And had also prepared an Alphabetical list of the members, Which had been supervised and printed, pursuant to the order of the Board the 18th Inst. One of which lists had been sent or delivered to each member.

Secretary reports That Sir Owen Buckingham Knt (executor of Richard Huffam deceased) had on the 24th day of October last transferred this corporation in their Politick Capacity ten shares in the Stock & Profits of the Royal Mines Copper & other works vested in Richard Matthew & others Trustees, pursuant to the Resolutions of a General Court of this corporation held the 19th day of June last.

Which shares were so transferred upon the account of Dr Edward Wright, & had not as yet been reported to this Board.

The Deputy Governor reports that himself & ye other persons appointed ye last day had prepared a petition for the distinction of the coin that shall be made of this company's silver, & delivered the same at the Treasury a copy of which he laid before the Board.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Mr Richard Diamond or order £30 for 12 months interest of £500 lent the Society concerned in the Royal Mines &c., due the 23d instant.

William Kempster (according to order) laid before the Board the state of the Ryton Account. And it was referred to the sub-committee further to consider it.

Ordered. That William Kempster & Samuel Quinton do forthwith look out & deliver to Mr John Blunt All the writings relating to the Ryton Stock. In order to his drawing an Assignment thereon to this corporation.

31st December 1705 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker from of the 24th Advising that he had received of John Crowther £23 for his note sent from J Brindley.

Letter from Jeremiah Hunter of the 21th, With a bill or loading inclosed for 200 pieces of Lead shipped in the Mary of Stockton, Robert Theaker Master, Freight thereof at 12d per piece amounted to £10

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay it.

The treasurer reported that he had received the parcel of silver of Richard Payne mentioned in the minutes of the last day. And that the same weighed 423oz.

And that he had received of Samuel Shephard Esq the sum of £150 on account of Lead sold him.

The Secretary reported that the writings belonging to the Ryton Company were delivered to Mr Blunt pursuant to an order of the last day.

Warrants drawn on the Treasurer to the following sums vizt.

To severall person for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the Tenth day of July last to this day inclusive the sum of thirty nine pounds in the particular underwritten vizt.

	£	s	d
To Mr Samuel Davis	4	5	1
To Mr Enoch Floyd	5	10	10
To himself	5	9	4
To Mr Richard Matthew	5	0	1
To Mr John Haddon	5	10	10
To Mr Thomas Cooper	5	9	4
To Mr Cornelius Mason	1	11	10
To Peter de Lannoy Esq	4	15	10
To Mr Jacob Franklyn	1	6	10
Total	<u>39</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Another Warrant to pay to severall persons for their attendance on the sub-committee of trade & correspondence from the 18th day of July last to this day inclusive the sum of sixteen pounds & sixteen shillings, in the particular written vizt.

	£	s	d
To himself	3	9	10
To Mr John Davis	2	19	4
To Peter de Lannoy Esq	3	6	4
To Mr John Haddon	3	10	3
To Mr Enoch Floyd	3	10	3
	<u>16</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>0</u>

Another Warrant to pay severall persons the sum of fifty six pounds, being an allowance of £4 per cent on £1400 for which the said persons gave their Bonds on account of the Society concerned in the Royal Mines pursuant to the Resolution and Agreement of a General Meeting of the Proprietors held the 29th of August last, The particulars follow viz.

	£	s	d
To Peter de Lannoy Esq	3	5	4
To himself	10	10	0
To Mr Richard Matthew	8	18	0
To Mr Thomas Cooper	10	10	0
To Mr John Haddon	10	10	0
To Mr Jacob Franklyn	9	19	0
To Mr Enoch Floyd	2	7	8
	<u>56</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Then the Court proceeded to receive votes for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants for the year ensuing. And upon a careful perusal & examination of the votes delivered & brought in by the several members before the Governor in Open Court the majority of votes was found to be in favour of the persons following for Governor Deputy & Assistants for the year ensuing viz.

Mr Samuel Davis Governor
Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Govr
Assistants
Dr Edward Wright

Peter de Lannoy Esq
Mr Jacob Franklyn
Mr John Haddon
Urban Hall Esq
Mr Thomas Cooper
Mr Richard Matthew
Dr Christopher Crell
Mr Edward Leeds
Mr Nathaniel Matson

And Mr Governor declared the said election accordingly.

John Peirie appearing at the Board, and desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in Open Court, And was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

The Cooper attending the Court, they ordered him to get ready 40 casks at 20d apiece for 80 bushells of bone ashes, which he promised to do in a fortnights time.

It is referred to Mr Governor, Mr Deputy Governor, Peter de Lannoy Esq, Urban Hall Esq, & Mr Jacob Franklyn, or any three of them to examine & state the Accounts of the Ryton Company And report to this board.

Ordered. That the secretary prepare Charterpartyes with Capt. Cook, according to the minutes of the sub-committee held this day.

Ordered. That the secretary send out summonses to such persons as were now chosen of the Court of Assistants, and were not present, to inform them of the next meeting of the said Court, That they may appeare & qualify themselves.

8th January 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker with advice of refining 27 ounces 10 pw of silver.

The treasurer reported that the silver last sent to the Tower (Ingot No 8) weighed 71 lb. fine being 16 penny weight and a half better standard 76 lb. 3 oz 6 and a half pw at 5s 2d per oz comes to £236 9s 0d.

Present

Mr Samuel Davis Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Dr Edward Wright

Dr Christopher Crell

Mr Richard Matthew

Mr John Haddon

Mr Thomas Cooper

Peter de Lannoy Esq

Mr Edward Leeds

Mr Samuel Davis being elected the last court day to be Governor of this Company, Mr Enoch Floyd Depty Governor and the following persons for Assistants Viz, Dr Christopher Crell, Mr Edwards Leeds, Mr Richard Matthew, Peter de Lannoy Esq, Dr Edward Wright, Mr John Haddon and Mr Thomas Cooper. The said Mr Samuel Davis took the Oaths appointed by the Charter as Governour of this Company, being administered by the Deputy Governor in Open Court, & thereupon took his place at the Board as Governor.

Then the said Mr Enoch Floyd took the Oaths appointed by the Charter as Deputy Governor of this Company being administered by the Governor in Open Court & took his place at the Board as Deputy Governor.

And afterwards the said Dr Christopher Crell, Mr Edward Leeds, Mr Richard Matthew & Peter de Lannoy Esq severally took the oaths appointed by the Charter in Open Court & thereupon severally took their places at the board accordingly.

And the said Dr Edward Wright, Mr John Haddon, and Mr Thomas Cooper severally signed Declarations (in lieu of the Oaths appointed by the Charter) as Assistants before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon likewise took their places at the Board accordingly.

The secretary reported that he had sent out summonses to such persons as were chosen of the Court of Assistants the 31th of December, & were not then present, pursuant to an order of the last day.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 31th of December, with the paybill at Ryton Cupola, Balance due to him £257 6s 9d.

Letter Anthony Barker of the 4th advising of a Refining operation of 27oz 10pw of silver.

The messenger brought in the weights of the 99 pieces of Lead sold John Beighton quantity 7 fodder 12cwt 1qr 16lb at £8 9s per fodder is £64 12s 6d

The Treasurer reported that the Silver last sent to the Tower (Ingot No 9) weighed 71 lb fine, being better 16pw & an half, standard 76lb 3oz 6½pw at 5s 2d per ounce comes to £236 9s 0d Which monies he had received for the same.

The Treasurer further reports that the Lord High Treasurer had been pleased to refer the Petition of this Company to the Officers of the Mint, and that the said Officers had been attended with the Charter. And that the Report of that Board was gone back to the Treasury in favour of this Corporation so that it is not doubted but a Warrant for the distinction on the coin made of this company's silver will be obtained. The care of which is continued to the persons formerly appointed.

Resolved

That Mr Governor, Mr Deputy Governor, Dr Edward Wright, Peter de Lannoy Esq & Mr John Haddon be the sub-committee of Trade & correspondence for ye year ensuing.

Mr John Haddon reports that the great bellows for the Slag hearth at Ryton are made & lye ready at his house.

Ordered. That the said John Haddon get shipping for them & the bone ashes with all convenient speed.

Ordered. That the Treasurer pay for the said bellows. And Warrant to be drawn for the same next Court day.

Ordered. That a Court of Assistants to held every Tuesday in the afternoon. And that no member shall depart the Court without leave, before all the letters and Warrants are signed on forfeiture of his share and proportion of the Court mony And that each member that does not come by half an hour after the time adjourned or summonsd to shall likewise forfeit & loose his share & proportion of the court mony.

15th January 1706 LLC 1

The Deputy Governor reported that he & the other persons appointed had perused & examined the accounts given in by the Ryton partners And find the same to be rightly stated which debts this corporation for sundry particulars therein mentioned the sum of	£1401	4	6
And Credits us for	£1404	18	11
So that the Balance due to the comp is	£0003	14	5

The Secretary reports that Capt. Cooke had executed his part of the Charterparty with this company.

Ordered. That the common seal of this corporation benow affixed to the other part of the said Charterparty delivered to the said Capt. Cooke, which was done accordingly.

The following Letters were read viz.

One from Charles Alsopp of the 7th inst with the ore & carriage paybill inclosed, balance due to the Accountant £318 2s 2¼d.

And also Blackhalls pay bill

Both which Bills were delivered to the Deputy Governor to examine.

One from Anthony Barker of the 11th instant advising of a bill drawn by him on the Treasurer the 7th for £100 payable to Mr Robert Pigot or order at 14 days date. And a Warrant was drawn on the Treasurer to pay it.

A Warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay Mary Slaner or order in full for sixty bushels of bone ashes and casks. £13 1s 6d

The Treasurer reports that he had received of John Beighton the sum of £6412s 6d in full for the 88 pieces of Lead sold him, and 7s 6d for a piece of Lead that was missing.

That he had likewise received money for the bill drawn on Charles Harford last court day for the balance of his account being £139 5s 6d whereof he had allowed 14s for the exchange.

That he had also received of Urban Hall Esq for the balance of the Account of Lead sold the East India Company ye sum of £368 11s 0d

A warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Mr Matthew Palfree or his order the sum of £9 12s 6d in full for a large pair of bellows for the Slag hearth at Ryton, & the charge of packing & carrying thereof.

Dr Edward Wright laid before the Board a warrant dated the 26th of September 1704 for £100 due to him from the Society concerned in the Royal Mines &c vested in Mr Richard Matthew & others Trustees lent them the 15th of August 1704, whereon is due for interest to this day the sum of eight pounds & ten shillings

Ordered. That the said Dr Wright (the Treasurer to this Company) repay himself the same by & out of this company's Stock in his hands. And that the said Warrant shall be a sufficient voucher for his so doing.

The said Dr Wright proposing to the board to lend this comp £200 for six months.

Ordered. That the common Seal of this Corporation be now affixed to two severall bonds for one hundred pounds each, to be severally made payable to the said Dr Wright or his assigns on the 16th day of July next.

Which was done accordingly & attested by the Secretary and messenger.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Urban Hall Esq or his order the sum of sixteen pounds & ten shillings for his charges disbursed & expences in selling a parcel of Lead to the East India Company.

A warrant drawn on the treasurer to repay himself the sum of £9 8s 8d for sundry petty charges & disbursements mentioned in a Bill now delivered to this Board.

The Minutes of the sub-committee read & confirmed.

Mr Jacob Franklyn attending the Court signed the Declaration (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) as an Assistant of this Comp before the Deputy Governor in Open Court And thereupon took his place at the Board accordingly.

22nd January 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 15th instant advising of a bill drawn by them on the Treasurer for £269 payable to Nicholas Ridley or order at 42 dayes date.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay it.

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 18th advising of the following refining operations vizt,
29oz & 74oz 5pw

The Deputy Governor reported that he had examined Charles Alsopps Accounts & finds them right.

A warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay the Cloath workers Porters for landing & shipping of lead to the 17th instant the sum of £31 7s 6d

Urban Hall Esq attending the Court took the oaths appointed by the Charter (as an Assistant of this Company) before the Governor in Open Court and thereupon took his place at the Board accordingly.

The Court proceeded to consider of a Gratuity to be presented to Mr Samuel Davis, Mr Enoch Floyd, Dr Edward Wright & Mr John Haddon. In consideration of their great pains & industry in procuring the Incorporation of the Society concerned in the Royal Mines &c. vested in Mr Richard Matthew & others Trustees into the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit coal & Sea coal. And while the matter was under debate the said Mr Davis, Mr Floyd, Dr Wright & Mr Haddon withdrew and being returned. It was.

Resolved

That the sum of Twenty Guineas be presented them for the same. And a warrant was drawn for the payment thereof & other charges & disbursements (as per bill now delivered to this Board) amounting in the whole to £177 0s 8d

Dr Wright proposing to the Board to lend this Comp £100 for six months.

Ordered. That the common Seal of this Corporation be now affixed to one bond for the said sum, to be made payable to the said Dr Wright or his assigns on the 23rd day of July next. Which was done accordingly, & attested by the Secretary and messenger.

Mr Haddon informing the Court, that there had been some proposals made to him to lend this company an Engine for draining Blackhalls Mine.

Ordered. That it be referred to the sub-committee of Trade & correspondence to consider thereof, & to make such Agreement about the same on behalf of this company as they shall think fit.

The Treasurer laid before the Board a warrant dated the 27th of January 1701 for £42 5s 6d due to him from the Society concerned in the Royal Mines &c for Committee money to the 25th of March 1701. And one other warrant of the same date for £2 11s 3d due from the said Society to Benjamin Robinson being likewise due to him for committee money to the same time.

Ordered. That the Treasurer pay himself the said sum of £42 5s 6d by & out of this company's Stock and that he also take up & pay the said warrant for £2 11s 3d to the said Benjamin Robinson for doing whereof the said severall warrants shall be his sufficient vouchers.

29th January 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 22th advising of a refining operation of 81oz of Silver. And that he had drawn a bill on the Treasurer for £40 payable to Mr David Pennant or order at 14 days sight value received of Mr Thomas Parry.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay it.

A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 21th advising that Mr Selby had paid the £30 to Jeremiah Hunter.

Mr Haddon reports that Andrew Brown, Master of the John & Rebecca bound for Newcastle will take in the bellows & what bone ashes can be got ready, & depart with ye first convoy.

Ordered. That ye messenger take care to see ye bellows & what bone ashes can be got ready , shipped accordingly.

The Treasurer reports that 10 sacks of bone ashes quantity 40 bushells were sent by Richard Payne to Wales.

Ordered. That a warrant be drawn on the Treasurer to pay Mary Saner &c. for the same £8 12s 6d

Which was done accordingly.

A warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay Eliz Marshall or her order £6 5s for 6 Months Interest of £250 due the 12th instant.

The Treasurer reports that he had received of Samuel Shepheard Esq in full for the Lead last sold him £186 9s having abated him 6s.

And further reports that he had sold the 200 pieces of Newcastle Lead to Samuel Leadbeater at £8 15s 6d per fodder, & received £100 in part, the weights not yet brought in.

The Minutes of the sub-committee read & confirmed.

A warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Mr Thomas Cooper or his order the sum of five pounds for petty charges & expense to be paid out for the use & account of this company.

5th February 1706 LLC 1

Mr John Haddon reports that he had been to speak with Esq Errington & was informed he was out of town, but expected to return as this day. And that he would go to him again in a day or two.

A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 28th of Jany advising of a refining operation of 110oz of silver.

Another from Anthony Barker of the first inst with Richard Paynes Note inclosed for delivery of 14 cakes of silver qt 304oz 5pw carriage 7s.

Which Note was delivered to the messenger to receive ye same said Barker also advise of a bill drawn by him on the Trear the 31th of Jan for £100 payable to Aldran Wm Allen or his order at Twenty one days sight.

And a warrant was drawn for the payment thereof accordingly.

The messenger reports that he had shipped ye bellows & 69 bushils of bone ashes in 24 casks, pursuant to an order of the last day, And the bone ashes & casks for the same coming to £15 10s 8d. A warrant was drawn on the Treasurer to pay it.

Dr Wright reports from the sub—committee to whom it was referred by this Board the 22th of Jany last to receive proposals & make an agreemt relating to an Engine for Draining Blackhalls Mine. That they had considered the account given of the said mine by Charles Alsopp in his letter of the 28th of Jan last, whereupon they are of opinion, that the Engine proposed to unwater that mine will not answer at present, to which this board agrees.

A warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay John Harman or order £12 in full for 12 Months Interest of £200 lent the Ryton Company, due the 16th of December last.

12th February 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 8th inst., inclosed a bill of loading for 302 pieces of lead shipped in the Delight of Barnstable, Nathan keen Master for Bristol weight 40 ton. He advised of refining 40 oz 10 pw of silver and another 58 oz 5 pw of silver.

Likewise a Bill drawn by him on the Treasurer the 7th inst for £100 payable to Aldran Wm Allen or his order 21 days after sight.

And another bill drawn by Thomas Biggins the 6th instant for £50 payable to John Williams or order 9 days after date.

Warrants drawn on the Treasurer for payment of both the said bills accordingly.

A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 4th inst advising of refining operation of 116oz 5pw of silver.

Also Edward Simpson's note for the delivery of 312 oz 5 pw of silver, carriage 7s 3d.

A warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Roger Newham or order £9 for 6 months Interest of £300 due the 27th of January last.

A warrant drawn on Do to the treasurer Samuel Quinton or order £5 for a Quarters Salary due at Christmas last.

The Treasurer reports that he had received the 14 cakes of silver from Wales mentioned in the Minutes of the last day, & the same being now weighed in court were found full weight.

Mr Haddon reports that he had seen and spoke with Esquire Errington. That he had promised to make better pays, and that for the future the works should be wrought more effectually than formerly.

Mr Isaac Ashley laying before the Board a warrant dated the 27th of January 1701 for £35 15s 3d due to him from the Society concerned in the Royal Mines &c. for Committee money to the 25th of March 1701.

Ordered. That the treasurer take up & pay the said warrant. And that the same shall be a sufficient voucher for his so doing.

The said Isaac Ashley proposing to the Board to lend the Company fifty pounds for six months.

Ordered. That the common Seal of this Corporation be now affixed to one Bond for the sum to be made payable to the said Isaac Ashley or his assigns on the 13th day of August next. Which was done accordingly & attested by the Secretary & Messenger.

19th February 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 9th advising that he had received a letter from Mr Robert Pigot with the account for farm from Michas to Christmas last, which comes to £126 19s 3d Another from Anthony Barker of the 12th with a bill of loading for 783 pigs of lead shipped on the Marygold, Edward Brown Master, for Bristol 102 tun 2 cwt 3 qtr 20 lbs. He advised of refining 82 oz 5 pw of silver and also 124 oz of silver.

A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 11th with a Cupola pay bill to the 9th inst, Balance due to him £67 3s 4¼d.

Which Bill the Deputy Governor examined & found right.
Also advice of a refining operation of 112oz of Silver.

One from Jeremiah Hunter of the 9th with 3 bills of loading for 400 pieces of lead vizt.

In the Wolfe of Shields William Hart Master	100 pieces
In the Christopher of Newcastle Christopher Ward Master	200 pieces
In the Joshua of Shields Nathaniel Crosby Master	<u>200 pieces</u>
	400

At 12d per piece freight comes to £20.

The Treasurer Reports that he had received the parcel of Silver from the North mentioned in the minutes of the last day, & that the same held full weight.

That he had sent the same together with what other silver he held by him, to the Tower, And would Report further thereof to this Board, at their next meeting.

A warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Richard Collett or order £30 for a bill remitted to Charles Alsopp the 4th of December last.

Mrs Sarah Bates attending the Board, and desiring to be made free of this Company, took the oaths appointed by the Charter. And was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

26th February 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 18th advising of 142 pigs of lead sold Nicholas Ridley quantity ten Newcastle fodder wanting 14lb at £8 5s per fodder, monies not yet received .

Also a Pay Bill for ore & carriage to the 16th instant.

Balance due to him £142 4s 10¼d.

Which the Depty Govr examined & found right.

Likewise an acct of refining quantity of silver 106 ounces

One from Thomas Taylor (Jeremiah Hunter's man) with a bill of loading inclosed for 200 pieces of lead shipped in Robert Gibson, & likewise the 8 casks of Litharge. And advice that 200 pieces more were shipped in Wm Medford.

Two letters from Capt. Fisher of the 17th & 20th the first from Plymouth, the other from the Downes.

A copy of the letter wrote by Dr Wright to Mr Barker the 23d inst was read & examined, & ordered to be copied in the letter book.

5th March 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 26th Ult., of refining 147 ounces 10 pw of silver.

Also a Bill drawn on the Treasurer payable to Benj Bradley or order at 21 days sight for £50.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay it.

Another from Anthony Barker of the first instant, with Richard Payne's wife's note for delivery of 10 cakes of silver 329 oz 15 pw, carriage 7s 6d..

Also Invoyses inclosed for the two ships last loaden viz.

302 Pigs of lead quantity 40 tun shipped on board the Delight of Barnstable, Nathan Keen Master for Bristol & consigned to Mr Charles Harford Junr, charges thereon £3 5s 0d.

And 783 Pigs quantity 102 fodder 2 cwt 3 qr 20lb shipped on the Marygold of Lanhassa Edward Brown Master likewise for Bristol, & consigned to the said Charles Harford.

Salvage & charges thereon. £49 10s 7d

Per Bill sent to Charles Harford to receive in Bristol £15 0s 0d

Which said parcel of lead shipped on the Marygold was taken out of ye Penelope, ran on ground at Highlake, & 16 of the 799 pigs loaden on board her, brought back to Gadlis.

Said Barker also advises of a bill drawn by him on the Treasurer, payable to Aldren William Allen or order on 21 days sight for £200 0s 0d

And one other bill payable to Richard Andrews or order at 15 days for £100 0s 0d

Value received of Mr Robert Piggot.

And Warrants were drawn on the Treasurer to pay the said bills for £200 & £100 accordingly.

A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 25th ult with Christopher Burrell's Note inclosed dated the 22 ulto for delivery of 342oz & a quarter of silver, carriage 6s.

Which Note was delivered to the messenger to receive the same.

He advises also that he had received the 23d ulto of Nicholas Ridley for 142 pigs of lead weighing 10 tun 9 cwt 3 qtr 14 lb. at £8 5s fodder. £82 9s

Also an account of refining operations for last 3 weeks quantity of Silver as in the above Note 342oz & a quarter.

A warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Mr Richard Andrews or order £100 0s 0d in part of £126 19s 3d due for farm of lead ore in Wales from Michaelmas to Christmas last, As per advice in Mr Barker's letter of the 9th of February last.

Capt Fisher brought in his Account of freight & port charges in his late voyage to Wales to fetch lead on account of this company.

Ordered. That it be referred to the sub-committee to settle and adjust the same at their meeting, And report to this board.

The Company's agents below making large and quick draughts on the treasurer, and he being already several hundred pounds in disbursement, and there being but little demand for lead at present, and so that there is occasion to take up some money's to supply the Company's present emergencies.

Ordered. That it be referred to the sub-committee to consider of takeing some monies to supply the present emergencies. And that Interest after the rate of £6 per cent per Annum be allowed to the persons advancing the same.

12th March 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Antho Barker of the 3rd inst advising that on the 16th ulto he drew a bill on the Treasurer for £100 payable to the order of Robert Pigot or Mr Richard Andrews, as per advice the 9th.

He further advises of refining 69oz 10pw of silver with his letter came the Accounts to Christmas last. Which Mr Deputy Governor is desired to examine.

A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 4th advising of refining 88 ounces of Silver.

And that on the 26th he drew a bill on the Treasurer for £200 payable to John Stephenson or order at 28 days date. And a warrant was drawn on the Treasurer to pay it.

One from Thomas Taylor (Jer Hunter's man) of the 2nd inst with a bill of loading for 150 pieces of Lead, shipped on the Blessing of Whitby, Isaac Chapman Master at 12d per piece freight.

The Treasurer reports that he has received the Silver from Wales & that from the north mentioned in the minutes of the last day, both which held full weight. That he sent the same to the tower, and would report further thereof next court day.

The Treasurer further reports, that the Lord High Treasurer is gone to New Market, without ordering the warrant for a distinction on the coin of this company's Silver. Upon which he had spoke to the Deputy Master of the Mint about it, who had promised the coinage of it shall tarry for the warrant.

The Deputy Governor reports from the sub-committee to whom it was referred by an order of ye last day to settle & adjust Capt. Fishers Account of freight & port charges. That they had adjusted & settled the same accordingly, which he laid before the Board as followeth Vizt.

	£	s	d
For the freight of 100 tunns of Lead from Chester to London			
at 55s per tun	275	0	0
Two thirds or Port charges	8	6	8
Total Is	<u>283</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>8</u>

And a Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay it.

Dr Wright reports from the same sub-committee to whom it was referred to consider of methods for raising monies to supply the pressing occasions of the company. That they had made some progress therein, & would bring in the report thereof in a little time,

Ordered. That Mr Governor, Mr Deputy Governor & Mr John Haddon, or any two of them attend & discourse Esq Errington & Collonel Radcliff, in relation to what Charles Alsopp writes in his letter of the 4th inst.

Mr Treasurer reports that 5 foddors of Welch Lead are sold to Samuel Robinson at £8 16s per fodder.

Also that he had sold to John Beighton 42 pigs of Welsh Lead at same price, the weights of neither parcel yet brought in.

19th March 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 12th inst advising of a bill drawn by him on the Treasurer for £7 0s 0d payable to Abell Frampston or order at 6 days sight

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay it.

Another letter from Anthony Barker of the 15th with a very encouraging account of the Company's works. And Richard Payne's Note inclosed for delivery of 189oz 5pw of silver, carriage 4s 6d.

One from Cha Alsopp of the 11th with an account refining qty of Silver 106 Ounces.

One from Tho Taylor (Jer Hunter's man) of the 9th with a bill of loading inclosed for 200 pieces of lead shipped in the Anne of Bridlington Daniel Dale Master at 12d per piece freight. Mr Governor reported that himself & Mr John Haddon had been to attend Esq Errington & Collonel Radcliff pursuant to an order of the last day.

That they had seen & discoursed Collonel Radcliff, but do not find any likelihood of coming to an agreement with him about Browngill ore, he asking 31s per bing for it.

That Esq Errington was out of town. But Collonel Radcliff had promised to press him very closely to prosecute Blagill with more vigour.

Ordered. That Mr Governor, Mr Deputy Governor, & Mr John Haddon or any two of them be continued to attend & discourse Esq Errington when he comes to town.

The Deputy Governor reported that he had examined Anthony Barker's Accounts, & found some errors, & had given them to the Accountant to examine further.

Letters wrote to Anthony Barker & Charles Alsopp, & signed by the Board.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Sir John Fleet & company the sum of £28 16s 0d in full for Wharfage of Lead &c. to Christmas last.

Mr Thomas Cooper brought in the weights of the parcels of Lead sold to Samuel Robinson & John Beighton, mentioned in the minutes of the last day. The particulars thereof in the sub committee minutes viz.

Samuel Robinson 35 pigs weight 99 cwt 1 qtr 18 lb. makes 5 tun 1 cwt 3 qtr 18 lb. at £8 16s per tun £44 17s.

John Beighton 42 pigs weight 119 cwt 1 qtr 21 lb. makes 6 tun 2 cwt 1 qtr 21 lb. at £8 16s tun £53 18s.

The Treasurer reported that he had sold to Mr Samuel Davis Governor 7 pigs of Welsh Lead quantity 20 cwt 1 qtr 21 lb. makes 1 tun 0 cwt 3 qtr 21 lb. at £8 16s £9 4s 0d.

Which monies he had received of the said Mr Davis for the same.

26th March 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 19th instant advising of a bill drawn by him on the Treasurer for £250 payable to Aldran Wm Allen or order at 21 days sight. For value received of himself.

Another bill for £20 0s 0d payable to Mr Roger Lewis or order 15 days after date for the value received of John Williams per Thomas Biggins for the bill he drew on the Treasurer for that sum the 18th inst.

One other letter from Anthony Barker of the 22th with an account of refining quantity of silver 121oz 5pw.

Also advise that the 21th he drew a bill on the Treasurer for £50 payable to Aldran Wm Allen or order at 21 days sight.

And Abraham Green's Note inclosed for delivery of 122oz 10pw of Silver, Carriage 3s.

One from Charles Alsopp of the 18th with an account of refining quantity of Silver 88oz.

And advice of a bill drawn by him on the Treasurer the 15th inst for £100 payable to Nicholas Ridley or order at 30 days date.

And Wm Teasdales Note inclosed for delivery of 282oz of Silver, carriage 5s.

Ordered. That the Treasurer deliver the above Notes for the Silver to John Clarke the messenger to receive the same.

Warrants were drawn on the Trear to pay the following sums vizt.

To Aldran Wm Allen or order	£250
To Mr Roger Lewis or order	£20
More to said Aldran Allen or order	£50
To Nicholas Ridley or order	£100

To severall persons for freight of lead & litharge from New Castle to London £42, viz.

To Robert Gibson for freight of 200 ps of lead & 8 casks of litharge	£12 0s 0d
To Isaac Chapman for freight of 150 ps	£ 7 10s 0d
To Daniel Dale for 250 ps	£12 10s 0d
To Wm Midford for 200 ps	£10 0s 0d
Total is	£42 0s 0d

Mr Treasurer reported that he had received of Mr Samll Robinson £44 17s 0d in full for the parcel of Lead sold him, mentioned in the minutes of the last day.

Mr Treasurer informs the Court that Mr John Freame is willing to lend this Company £500 for 3 months.

Which the Board do accept of.

Ordered. That the Common Seal of this Corporation be now affixed to one Bond for the said sum, to be made payable to the said John Freame or his assigns on ye 24th day of June next .

Which was done accordingly, & attested by the Secretary and messenger.

William Kempster continued to inspect & examine Mr Barker's accounts & report to this Board.

Mr Treasurer reports that he had received the parcel of silver from Wales mentioned in the minutes of the last day which weighed 189oz 10pw.

2nd April 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 24th ulto with an invoice of 215 Pigs of Lead shipped in the Amity of Milford Wm Cosker Master for Bristol, & consigned to Mr Charles Harford Junr quantity 28tunns 3cwt 1qr 4lb

Charges thereon £2 8s 0d

One from Anthony Barker of the 29th ulto with an account of refining quantity of Silver 87oz 10pw.

One from Charles Alsopp of the 25th Ultio With an account of Refining quantity of Silver 69oz 10pw

And the Pay bill at Ryton Cupola inclosed.

Balance in the Company's favour £117 16s 1¾d

Which the deputy Governor examined & found right.

Mr Treasurer reports that he had paid Mary Bawne £2 5s 0 for 6 months Interest of £75 due the 2nd of March last.

Ordered. That he have now credit given him for the same in the cash book

Which was done accordingly.

Mr Treasurer further reports that he had received of Abraham Green & Wm Teasdale the two parcels of silver mentioned in the minutes of the last day.

That the Silver from Wales weighed 122oz 8 pw

And that from Ryton 281oz 10pw

That he had sent these two parcels, together with that reported to be received last day (In one Ingot) to the Tower, & would report further thereof to this Board at their next meeting.

William Kempster reports that he had carefully examined Mr Barker's Accounts, & finds several errors therein, which are particularly noted in the said account, the whole amounting to £2 16s 10d overcast.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Mary Saner &c. £11 2s 6d for 50 bushells of bone ashes & casks sent to Wales by Capt Fisher.

The Deputy Governor reports that upon advice received from Mr Barker in one of his letters of the 24th ulto the utmost endeavours had been used, & a large premium offered to get assurance made on the Lead in Wm Corker, But could not get the same done (without Convoy) upon any terms whatever.

9th April 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the first inst. with an account of refining qt of Silver 48oz And the carrier's Pay bill inclosed, Balance to ye company being £60 14s 9¼d

Which bill was delivered to Mr Deputy Governor to examine.

Said Alsopp also advises of a bill drawn by him on the Treasurer the 30th ulto for £100

Payable to John Stephenson or order at 30 days date.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay it.

One from Anthony Barker of the 3rd. Another from Anthony Barker of the 5th instant, with an account of refining, quantity of Silver 43oz 5pw. And advising of a bill drawn by him on the Treasurer the 3rd inst for £100 payable to Mr Robert Pigot or order at 28 days sight.

And one other bill payable to the said Robert Pigot or order for £90 at same sight.

Also that he had received of Richard Payne £20 which the Treasurer advanced to the said Richard Payne in London.

He also informs of another bill drawn by him on the Treasurer for £70 payable to Aldran Allen or order at 21 days sight.

Warrants drawn on the Treasurer to pay the following sums viz.

To Mr Robert Pigot or order for Mr Barker's said two bills of the 3d inst	£190 0 0
To Aldran Allen or order for Mr Barker's bill of the same date	£70 0 0
Another warrant to repay himself so much advanced to Richard Payne & by him paid to said Barker	£20 0 0

In Mr Barker's letter was inclosed a bill for £25 0 0 dated the second inst, drawn by James Brindley on John Crowther & payable to Samuel Leadbeater or his order 30 days after date, & enforced to Dr Edward Wright.

Also a bill of loading for 10 casks of bone ashes shipped in Capt. Fisher.

Capt Peircy attending the Board the Charterparties between the company & him were examined, & he executed his part.

Ordered. That the common Seal of this Corporation be now affixed to the other part of the said Charterparty.

Which was done accordingly & attested by the Secretary & messenger, and delivered to the said Capt Peircy.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Mr Mary Mason, Relict & Executrix of Mr Cornelius Mason deceased the sum of Eighteen pounds Viz.

For the Interest of £100 from 13 Sept 1704 to 13 March 1705 is one year & ½ at 6 per cent comes to £9

Interest of £100 from 8 Aug 1704 to 8 Feb 1705 is one year & ½ at 6 per cent comes to £9

Making together the said sum of £18

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Mr John Bellers or order for a year & half's interest of £75 (viz. from 8 Augst 1704 to 8 Feb 1705) £6 15s 0d.

16th April 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 12th instant with his account of refining 149 oz of silver.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 8th instant with his account of refining 68 oz of silver with the paybill of Longholehead inclosed.

Balance due to the Company £38 2s 4¼d

Letter from Thomas Taylor (Jer Hunter's man) of the 6th inst advising of 100 pieces of lead shipped in the Unity of Ipswich Nathaniel Bowell Master

And a bill of loading inclosed for 200 pieces more, shipped in the Leander of Bridlington George Crosyer Master.

Letter from Charles Harford of the 8th with an account of Cosker's arrival. And that he had sold about 90 tunns of lead at £8 12s 6d per tunn.

The Deputy Governor reported that he had examined Charles Alsopp's accounts of carriage & ore bought, & finds them right.

The Treasurer reported that he had sold to Samuel Robinson 40 pigs of Welsh Lead at £8 15s per fodder.

Mr Treasurer reported that he had paid the following sums viz.

To Roger Newham for 12 months Interest of £50 due the 30th of March last £3 0s 0d

For bone ashes & sacks		£4 6s 3d
For 20 bushells of ashes	£3 10s 0d	
5 sacks	<u>£0 16s 3d</u>	
	£4 6s 3d	

Which were sent to the Carriers for Wales.

To Mr Ange the Attorney his bill &c for business done for the Company £2 3s 0d
Ordered.

That the Treasurer have now Credit given him in the cash book for the said severall sums.
Which was done accordingly.

A warrant drawn on the Trear to pay Elizabeth Marshall or her order £12 10s 0d viz

To 6 months Interest of £400 due the last £10 0s 0d

For six months Interest of One Hundred pounds due the 6th of March last £2 10s 0d

23rd April 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Charles Alsopp with his account of refining 66 oz 5 pw of silver inclosing William Teasdales note for delivering to London, 251 oz 15 pw of silver, carriage 4s 4½d.

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 16th advising of two bills drawn by him on the Treasurer.

One to pay Aldran Wm Allen or order at 21 days sight £50. The other to pay Mr Thomas Tovey or order at eight days sight £10.

The treasurer reported the weight of the two last ingots of silver sent to the Tower (Both known as Ingot No 1).

First Ingot weighed 55 lb. 10 oz fine being 17 penny weight and a half better standard 60 lb. 2 oz 18 pw 7 gr.

The other weighed 49 lb. 2 oz 10 pw fine being 17 pw better standard 52 lb. 11 oz 14 pw 9 gr.

Mr Treasurer further reported that he had received of John Beighton on account of lead sold him £55.

And that he had sold to said Beighton 52 pigs more of Welsh Lead at £8 14s.

A warrant drawn on the Treasure to pay Nathll Howell or order for freight of 100 pieces of

Lead from Newcastle to London the sum of £5 0s 0d

And to George Crosyer for freight of 200 pieces the sum of £10 0s 0d

Making together £15 0s 0d

Ordered. That the Treasurer do with all convenient speed bring in an account to this Board of the weight of the Silver Reported to be sent to the Tower the 19th day of February last, Ingot No 9.

30th April 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 26th with his account of refining 100 oz of silver inclosing Richard Payne's note for delivering 13 cakes of silver 475 oz 5 pw, carriage 11s.

Said Barker also gives an account of refining quantity of Silver 100oz.

A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 22nd with an account of Refining quantity of Silver 68oz

The Governor reported that he & Mr Haddon had attended & discoursed Esq Errington and that he had promised to make pays according to our desire to carry on the Works briskly at Blagill. And that he is going down thither.

The Treasurer reported that he had received the parcel of Silver from Ryton mentioned in the minutes of the last day. And that the same held full weight.

Do further reported that the Ingot of Silver No 9 mentioned in the minutes of ye last day weighed 51lb 3oz 15pwt. Better 17pw Standard 55lb 2oz 18pw,

A warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Mr Robert Hughes or order £40 0s 0d in discharge of a bill in his letter of the 16th instant.

The Deputy Governor reported that he had been at the Treasury and that he had brought down the warrant from the Queen, for a mark of distinction on the coin of this Company's Silver, & delivered it to the Mint. And that the charges of obtaining the same came to £5 14s 6d.

A Note whereof he delivered to the Board, and a warrant was drawn on the Treasurer to repay himself the same.

A warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Mary Saner &c. the sum of £11 6s 0d in full for 51 bushells of Bone ashes & casks.

Mrs Mary Mason appearing at the Board, and desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in Open Court, And was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

Resolved. That a General Court be summoned to meet on Tuesday next at 3 a clock in the afternoon. Upon special affairs.

Ordered. That the secretary send out summonses accordingly & affix public notice thereof on one of the Pillars on the South side of the Royal Exchange.

The Court took into consideration ye state of ye company & came to the following Resolutions Viz.

1st Resolved.

That it is the opinion of this Court that a dividend of twenty shillings per share paid to every member of this company that hath complied with the Resolutions of a General Court held the 19th day of June last, by paying in their money or transferring of shares in the Stock & profits of the Royal Mines &c. or in the Stock & profits of the Ryton Lead Works, as is therein limited & appointed.

2ndly Resolved

That it is the opinion of this Court that for the Increase of the Stock of their Company & the more effectual carrying on the affairs of the same, there be admitted & taken on Additional subscription of two hundred shares at twenty pounds per share.

3rdly Resolved.

That it is the opinion of this Court that those that subscribe and pay in their money for their respective shares to the Treasurer of this Corporation within one and twenty days from the opening of the book for Subscriptions shall be allowed ten shillings per share for prompt payment. And five share to be allowed to such persons as shall pay in the same within one and thirty days after opening of the said subscription book.

4thly Resolved.

That it is the opinion of this court that the said book for subscriptions be opened at this place on Thursday the sixteenth instant at two of the clock in the afternoon. And that the dividend

above mentioned be paid to the present proprietors at the same time, in the New Coin of this Corporation.

Ordered. That these Resolutions be laid before the General Court this day seven night.

7th May 1706 LLC 1

The Treasurer reported that he had received of Richard Payne the parcel of Silver mentioned in the Minutes of the last day, and that the same held full weight.

That he had sent the same, with the last parcel of Silver from the North, to the Tower, whereof would report further to this board at their next meeting.

The following letters were read viz.

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One from Anthony Barker of the 28th ulto with a bill of loading for 301 pigs of lead ship'd in the Loves Increase of Milford for Bristoll qt 40 fodder 4 cwt 0 qr 1lb.

Another from Anthony Barker of the 3rd instant, with an invoice of Parry Eyon's loading, and said Barker's Accounts to Ladyday last, which were delivered to the Deputy Governor to Examine.

He also advises of refining quantity of silver 92oz 10pw.

A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 29th ulto with an account of refining qty of silver 63oz.

One from Thomas Taylor (Jer Hunter's man) date 30 ulto with two bills of loading inclosed, one for 200 Pieces in the July Flower of Bridlington, Richard Sharp Master. The other for 200 Pieces in the Unity of Ipswich, Nathll Howell Master.

Also advice of 200 Pieces shipped in Wm Midford,

Freight of all the said lead 12d per piece, which comes to £30 And a warrant was drawn on the Treasurer for payment thereof.

A warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay Sir John Fleet & company the sum of £7 9s 0d in full for Wharfage & lead landed to Lady Day last.

Mr Thomas Cooper reported that 21 Pigs of which lead were sold to John Lingard at £8 15s per fodder. And had received £22 on the said account & paid it to the Treasurer.

Elizabeth Clay appearing at the Board, and desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in Open Court, And was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

Ordered. That the secretary send an account of the proceedings of the General Court held this day to the severall members of this company.

And also prepare warrants for each members Dividend according to their respective number of shares, to be signed by the next court of assistants.

9th May 1706 LLC 1

The secretary reported that he had sent an account of the proceedings of the last General Court, to the several members of this Company pursuant to an order of ye last day.

The secretary likewise laid before the Board Warrants for a Dividend of twenty shillings per share to ye several members, Which were signed be the Board & are as followeth, viz.

				Shares	£
To	Mr	Isaac	Ashley	21	21
To	Mrs	Patience	Ashfield	10	10
To	Mr	John	Askew	5	5
To	Esq	Charles	du Bois	20	20
To	Mr	John	Bellers	20	20
To	Mrs	Mary	Bawne	20	20
To	Mr	James	Brace	5	5
To	Mrs	Sarah	Bates	10	10
To	Dr	Christopher	Crell	10	10
To	Mr	Thomas	Cooper	30	30
To	Mr	Richard	Collett	10	10
To	Mr	William	Chambers	4	4
To	Mr	John	Clarke	3	3
To	Mrs	Elizabeth	Clay	10	10
To	Mr	Thomas	Davis	20	20
To	Mr	Edward	Doyley	25	25
To	Mr	Richard	Diamond	10	10
To	Mr	Enoch	Floyd	13	13
To	Mr	Jacob	Franklin	16	16
To	Mr	John	Freame	5	5
To	Mr	Urban	Hall Esq	22	22
To	Mr	John	Haddon	20	20
To	Mr	Joseph	Heale	10	10
To	Mr	John	Hester	30	30
To	Mr	Thomas	Hyam	4	4
To	Mr	Thomas	Hale	5	5
To	Mr	John	Knight	10	10
To	Mr	William	Kent	8	8
To	Esq	Peter	de Lannoy	10	10
To	Mr	Edward	Leeds	30	30
To	Mr	Thomas	Lee	2	2
To	Mr	Joseph	Lacy	2	2
To	Mr	Richard	Matthew	101	101
To	Mr	Cornelius	Mason	20	20
To	Mr	Nathanael	Matson	40	40
To	Mr	Lescells	Metcalf	5	5
To	Mr	Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
To	Mrs	Mary	Mason	10	10
To	Mr	Roger	Newham	8	8
To	Mr	Clement	Plumsted	10	10
To	Mr	John	Peirie	5	5
To	Mr	Nathanael	Rous	5	5
To	Mrs	Mary	Stamper	16	16

To	Mr	James	Taylor	15	15
To	Mr	John	Tanner	10	10
To	Dr	Edward	Wright	36	36
To	Mrs	Abell	Wilkinson	3	3
Total				709	709

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have Credit given him in his Account with this company for Fifty pounds, being for a dividend of twenty shillings per share on the fifty shares now in his name in this Company's books.

The Treasurer reported that the parcel of silver last sent to the Tower (ingot No2) weighed 60lb 4oz 10pwt fine. Better 17pw & ½ Standard 65lb 1oz 12pwt 5gr

The Treasurer reported that he had sold to John Adams & Company 100 pigs of Welsh lead at £9 18s per fodder delivered free on board.

And that he had likewise sold John Beighton 21 pigs of Welsh Lead at £8 14s per fodder.

The Deputy Governor reported that he had examined Anthony Barker's Accounts & found therein ye following errors viz.

Paid Ivan Parrey, charged too little 1s 4d

Paid Hugh Jones, overcharged 0s 10d

Paid John Jones, overcharg'd 1s 0d

So that said Barker is to be debted 6s.

Ordered. That the Secretary do against the next Court day prepare and then lay before this Board, a preamble to the subscription book mentioned in the last day's minutes.

16th May 1706 LLC 1

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 7th Inst advising of a bill drawn by him on ye Treasurer ye 6th inst for £100 payable to Aldran Wm Allen or order at 21 days sight.

A Warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay it.

One from Anthony Barker of the 10th with a bill of loading inclosed for 702 pigs of lead shipped in the Virginia Grace of Brightholmstone Thomas Baker Master

Also an Invoice of said 702 Pigs quantity 94 fother 12 cwt 3 qr 20 lb

Charges thereon £16 18s 3d

Said Barker also advises of a bill drawn by him on the Treasurer the 9th instant payable to Aldran Wm Allen or order at 21 days sight for £50

Another letter from Mr Barker of the 13th inst advising of a bill drawn by him on the Treasurer for £30 payable to Mr Samuel Taylor or order at 14 days sight.

A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 6th inst with an account of refining quantity of silver 57 ounces.

And a Cupola Pay bill inclosed Balance in the company's favour £33 6s 2¼d

Also the Pay bill at Blackhalls Mine.

Which bills were delivered to the Deputy Governor to examine.

Said Alsopp also advises of a bill drawn by him on the Treasurer the 3rd instant for £50 0s 0d payable to Nicholas Ridley or order at 25 days date.

Another letter from Charles Alsopp of the 10th advising of a bill drawn by him on the Treasurer the 8th instant for £200 0s 0d. Payable to Nicholas Ridley or order at 25 days date. And one other bill of the same date for £50 0s 0d. payable to John Douglass or order at 25 days date,

A letter from Charles Harford of the 11th advising of the sale of about 70 tunns of Lead at £8 10s per tunn.

And two bills inclos'd viz.

One on Robert Atwood for 800 Ducats making standard £190 8s 4d

One on Jacob Franklin for £98 0s 0d

The secretary (according to order) laid before the Board the Draught of a Preamble & conditions for the subscription book which was read & approved.

Ordered. That the same be entered in this days minutes, and that the same & every part thereof be deemed adjudged & taken, & is hereby declared to be the Act, Order & Direction of this Court.

That the secretary engross the same in a proper book in order for subscriptions.

The Deputy Governor brought in the weight of 100 Pieces of lead sold the 7th inst to John Adams & Company being 14 fodder 11cwt 0qr 15lb at £9 18s per fodder free aboard comes to £144 5.s

The Treasurer reported that he had sold to John Lingard 100 Pigs of Welsh Lead at £8 14s 6d per fodder.

And that he had received of him by the hands of Thomas Cooper on account two bills.

One on Butlrs for £48

One on Wm Harris for £50

The Treasurer reports that Esq Hall & he had sold to the Board of Ordnance all the Newcastle Lead in Town at £9 per tun, delivered at the Tower, to be paid ready money.

Mr Thomas Oade & Wm Ockenden appearing at the Board, and desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in Open Court, And was thereupon severally admitted members of this company.

A warrant drawn on the Treasurer to pay Mr Thomas Cooper or his order the sum of five pounds, for petty expenses & disbursements for the use & account of this company.

Mr Arthur Woolley appearing at the Board, and desiring to be made free of this company, subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in Open Court, And was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this company.

The book being laid open (according to order) for takeing additional subscriptions for two hundred shares at twenty pounds per share, several members of the company & others subscribed thereunto, and the same was filled up & completed, and Mr Governor accordingly declared that all the said two hundred shares were so subscribed as aforesaid.

The Preamble and Conditions of Subscription were as followeth.

Whereas

This ends Book 1, Book 2 contains the minutes of the Royal Mines Copper November 1697 to August 1704. The minutes of the Governor & Company Court of Assistants continues in Book 3.

In the front of Book 3 is the following: —

Weight of Lead at	Pounds to y ^e Hundred W ^t	Hundreds. in a Fother...	Pounds in A FOTHER
London.....	112	19 ½	2104
Newcastle.....	112	21	2352
Hull.....	120	19 ½	2340
York.....	120 ½	19 ½	2505 ½
Stockton.....	112	22	2464
Bautry.....	112	21 ½	2400

21st May 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 17th with his account of refining 178 oz 15 pw of silver and a bill of loading inclosed for 735 pigs of lead (whereof 676 are large size and 59 are small) quantity of the whole of their weight making (as invoice) 94 tons 14 cwt 0 qr 18 lbs., shipped in the Endeavour of London John Cook master, for London.

Charges thereon £16 3s 9d.

Said Barker also advises of a bill drawn by him on the treasurer the 15th inst for £50, payable to Aldran Wm Allen or order 18 days sight.

In this letter inclosed Elizabeth Payne's note for delivery of 305 oz of silver carriage 7s.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 13th instant with an account of refining 62 oz of silver.

Also a pay bill inclosed for carriage of ore bought balance in the accountants favour £82 17s 11¼d

The messenger reported that he had shipped on Friday last 100 bushels of Bone ashes in 50 casks in the Wm Henry, Wm Midford Master for Newcastle.

The Deputy Governor brought in the weight of the 100 pigs of Welsh lead sold Mr John Lingard, being 14 Fodder 8 cwt 3 qr 18 lb.

At £8 14s 6d is £126 2s 10d.

And also the weight of the 21 pieces sold him the 7th instant, being 3 fodder 1 cwt 1 qr at £8 15s per fodder comes to £26 16s 2d.

Mr Thomas Cooper reported that he had received of Samuel Robinson the sum of £52 6s 0d in full for a parcel of lead sold him the 7th inst and paid the same to the treasurer.

And that he had sold him 50 pigs of Welsh lead at £8 14s 6d per fodder.

28th May 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 24th with his account of refining 123 oz 10 pw of silver. And advice of a bill drawn by him on the treasurer 23rd inst for £50 payable to Aldran Wm Allen or order at 21 days sight.

A Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 20th inst.. with an account of Refining a quantity of silver 62 ounces 10 pw and New Tine Green's pay bill enclosed.

Said Alsopp also advises of a bill drawn by him on the treasurer the 17th instant for £100, payable to John Duglas or order 25 days after date.

The treasurer reported that he had sold John Sharp 200 pigs of Welsh lead at £8 15s fodder. That he had received of Mr John Lingard (By the hands of Mr Thomas Cooper) the sum of £32 19s 0d being in full for lead sold him.

The treasurer further reported that he had paid the following sums to the several persons under named Viz.

To Wm Kent in discharge of a warrant & interest thereon being money formerly lent the Society concerned in the Royal Mines	£6 0s 0d
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To Mary Straughan for the interest of £200 to 7th Sept last	£10 0s 0d
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To Mr John Adams & Company for 120 bushels of bone ashes at 3s 6d per bushel	£21 0s 0d
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To Mrs Mary Bawne for 12 months interest of £142 due the 26th March last	£8 11s 0d
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To the Widow Marshall for the interest of £500 to the 6th inst	£15 0s 0d
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The treasurer reported that he had also paid for the carriage of 30 loads of lead to the Tower at 2s 3d per load sum of £3 7s 6d.

Ordered. That he have credit given him for the same in the cash book

The treasurer further reported that he had paid for the Custom & charges lead shipped in the Tryton Galley	£13 11s 0d
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Entry & Bill money	£0 4s 0d
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Searchers fees

£0 2s 6d

Making together the sum of

£13 17s 6d

The treasurer further reported that he had received of Mr John Askew on account of Mrs Ann Noor (being advance money due to the Society concerned in the Royal Mines &c.) £2 10s 0d

And that he had also received of Nathaniel Bowell for two pigs of lead delivered short of his bill of loading £1 5s 0d.

The Court according to an order of the last day took into consideration the appointing persons to visit this Companys works. And after some debate. —

Resolved

That Mr Governor, Urban Hall Esq., Dr Edward Wright and Mr John Haddon be desired to take a journey for that purpose. And that they first visit the Works at Ryton & then those in Wales. And they are desired to give their answers next Court day, when that affair is to be further considered of.

4th June 1706 LLC 3

A Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 27th Ult. with Edward Simpsons note inclosed for delivery of 312 oz 10 pw of silver, carriage 5s 3d

Also an account of Refining quantity of silver 69 ounces 10 pw.

Letter from Thomas Taylor (Jer Hunter's man) date 25th Ult. with a bill of loading inclosed for 200 pieces of lead shipped in the Unity of Norwich, Nathaniel Bowell Master.

Also advice of 100 pieces more shipped in the Jolly Angler of Yarmouth Samuel Todd Master. Freight of the said lead at 12d per piece amounting to £15.

The Deputy Governor reported that the treasure & himself had bought & delivered to the messengers care the paper for Gadlis for which said treasurer had paid £2 19s 0d.

The messenger reported that he had shipped in the Phillip Daniel, Peter Ryder Master, for Wales 131 bushels of bone ashe in 56 casks.

11th June 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 4th instant, with a bill of loading inclosed for 186 pigs of lead (whereof 136 are large pigs and 50 small) quantity in the whole (of their weight) 22 3 cwt 0 qr 28 lb, shipped in the Neptune of Ilfracombe, Nichols Griffith Master, for Bristol and consigned to Mr Charles Harford Jnr.

Also an invoice thereof charges thereon £1 17s 6d.

Another letter from Anthony Barker of the 5th advising of a bill drawn by him on the treasurer for £100 payable to Aldran Wm Allen or order 21 days sight

Another letter from Anthony Barker of the 7th instant with an account of refining quantity of silver 117 oz 10 pw and another operation of 118 oz.

Also advice of a bill drawn by him on the treasurer for £100 payable to Robert Pigot or order 10 days sight.

In this letter inclosed Richard Payne's note for delivery of 8 cakes of silver 401 oz 4 pw. carriage 9s.

Letter from Thomas Taylor (Jer Hunters man) dated the first inst., advising of 100 pieces of lead shipped in the Philip of Ipswich, John Hammond Master. The freight 12d per piece amounting to £5.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 3rd instant with an account of refining quantity of silver 48 oz.

The Deputy Governor brought in the weight of 50 pieces of Welsh lead sold to Samuel Robinson (24th May) weighed 7 fodder 4 cwt 17 lb. at £8 14s 6d tun amounting to £62 18s 8d. Likewise the weight of 200 pieces of Welsh lead sold to John Sharpe (28th May) weighed 28 fodder 18 cwt 2 qtr 2 lb. at £ 8 15s amounting to £253 6s 2d.

The treasurer reported that the remaining Welsh lead had been sold to John Sharpe at £8 18s fodder

The treasurer reported that he had received of Mr John Aams & Company in full for lead sold them £144 5s 0d

And of Mr John Sharp on account of lead sold him £222 6s 0d

Capt. Thorp attended the Court & offered his service to fetch lead from Wales. Which the Court accepted & agreed with him at 55s per tun freight to compute 21 cwt to the tun & 120 lb to the cwt The Capt. to be obliged to Convoy & the Company to pay two thirds of port charges.

The secretary (pursuant of an order of the last day) laid before the Court an instrument of empowering Mr Samuel Davis Governor, Urban Hall Esq., Dr Edward Wright and John Haddon to visit the Company's mines and works and to examine into the state and condition thereof.

The treasurer reported that the several persons that subscribed the two hundred additional shares, and whose names, sums, & shares are underwritten have paid each person the same in time for the first prompt payment being on or before the 6th instant.

Amounting in cash £3900 0s 0d

Allowed for prompt payment £100 0s 0d

Subscribers	Names	Shares	Money
Samuel	Davis	15	300
Enoch	Floyd	25	500
John	Haddon	10	200
Christopher	Crell	5	100
John	Hester	10	200
James	Taylor	10	200
John	Freame	5	100
Thomas	Gould	10	200
Isaac	Ashley	5	100
Abell	Wilkinson	2	40

Thomas	Cooper	10	200
Edward	Wright	25	500
Nathaniel	Matson	10	200
Jacob	Franklin	9	180
Edward	Leeds	15	300
Urban	Hall	8	160
Lascells	Metcalfe	5	100
William	Oakenden	10	200
Arthur	Woolley	6	120
Richard	Matthew	<u>5</u>	<u>100</u>
		200	4000

The Governor and the rest of the Gentlemen that have undertaken to visit their Company's Works, acquainted the Board that they designed to set out on their journey on Monday next.

A Copy of the instrument empowering the Governor & other Gentlemen to visit the Company's Works. Viz.
London 11th June 1706

Know All Men by these presents That the Court of Assistants for directing & managing the affaires of the Governor and Company for Smelting Down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal, do hereby authorise & empower Mr Samuel Davis the present Governor of the said Company, Urban Hall Esq., Dr Edward Wright and Mr John Haddon (being severally members of the Court of Assistants) to go & repair to the said Company's mines and works at Ryton in the Bishopric of Durham and also to their mines and works in Wales. There to enquire inspect & examine into the state and condition of the said mines and works. And to consider & consult of proper ways and methods for improving the same and the Cupola, smelting and refining furnaces thereunto belonging. And to adjust note and settle the accounts of the Company's several Agents and correspondents there. And to make & enter into such bargains contracts and agreements with any person or persons on the behalf and for the use and account of the said Company as they shall (upon mature consideration) think proper. And generally to act do perform & execute all and every such other acts matters and things as they shall think meet and convenient, and conducive to the interest and advantage of the said Company. And the same is hereby declared & agreed to be of equal force and vesture and as valid and effectual to all intents constructions & purposes as if same were transacted ordered & done by the whole of the Court of Assistants of the said Governor and Company. They the said Court of Assistants Ratifying and hereby allowing and confirming all whatsoever the said Mr Samuel Davis, Urban Hall Esq., Dr Edward Wright & Mr John Haddon or any of them shall act & do or cause to be acted & done in the premises by virtue of these presents. And this present Instrument Commission & authority to continue and remain in order until the first day of August next ensuing the date hereof. In witness where of the said Court of Assistants of the said Governor and Company have caused the Common Seal of the said Company to be hereunto affixed the day and year first above written.

Signed by order of the Court
of Assistants
Samuel Quinton Secretary.

18th June 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 14th with an account of refining 167 oz 17 pw of silver.

Letter from Thomas Taylor (Jer Hunters Man) dated the 8th inst. with a bill of loading inclosed for 108 pieces of lead shipped in the Hopewell of London, Richard Lemon Master.

The messenger reported that he had received of Richard Payne the eight cakes of silver mentioned in the minutes of the last day.

The secretary reported that Dr Wright and the other gentlemen appointed to visit the Company's works had taken with them the dead of assignment to the Ryton Trustees.

25th June 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 21st with an account of refining 187 oz 15 pw of silver.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 17th with an account of refining 82 oz of silver.

The deputy Governor brought in the weight of a parcel of lead sold to John Sharpe (11th inst..) 126 pigs, 365 cwt 3 qr 19 lb.

Likewise the 52 pigs of Welsh lead sold to John Beighton (18th inst.) 147 Cwt 22 lb.

Likewise the 14 pigs of lead sold to John Beighton (part of a parcel of 21, 9th May) 40 cwt 1 qr 1 lb.

The deputy Governor also reported the sale of 20 pigs of Newcastle lead to John Beighton on the 17th inst., weight 30 cwt 11 lb.

Also the pay bill at Ryton Cupola Balance in the Companys favour £49 19s 6¾d.

Mrs Joyce Issod appearing at the Board, desiring to be made free of this Company, took the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this Company.

The messenger reported that he had shipped in William Midford, for Newcastle one hundred bushels of Bone Ashes in thirty nine casks, and also three wire ceives.

2nd July 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 23rd ult., with a bill of loading for 348 pigs of lead quantity 46 tun 1 cwt 3 qr 26 lb, shipped in the Owners Adventurer, John Brazill Master for Bristol, and consigned to Mr Charles Herford.

Another from Anthony Barker of the 28th ult. with an account of refining quantity of silver 127 oz 18 pw. Also inclosed was Elizabeth Payne's note for delivery of 12 cakes of silver 441 oz 6 pw. carriage 11s.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 24th ult with an account of refining quantity of silver 95 oz 10 pw. and Edward Simpson's note for delivery of 355 oz of silver, carriage 6s 1½d.

An account of parcels of lead sold by Charles Hareford was provided.

To Anthony Swymer 654 pigs 89 tun 17 cwt 1 qtr 7 lb. at £8 12s 6d tun (breakage allowed) £775 1s 10½d.

To John Coysgarne 200 pigs 28 tun 17 cwt 3 qtr at £8 10s per tun £245 10s 10d.

To Richard Bayly 290 pigs 40 tun 3 cwt 1 qtr 26 lb. at £8 10s, £341 9s 6³/₄d. Making a total of £1362 2s 3¹/₄d.

Mr De Lannoy reported the sale of 1 fodder and a half of Newcastle lead at £9 per fodder to Mr Charles Wallis for Mr Slaughter.

The Deputy Governor reported that he had received at the Tower one thousand three hundred and fifty pounds for the one hundred and fifty Tunns of lead sold the board of ordinance, which he had paid in to Mr Freame's in Lombard street.

9th July 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 5th inst., with an account of refining 79 oz of silver.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 1st inst., with an account of refining 62 oz of silver. Also a pay bill for carriage and shipping of lead from 23rd March 1706 to 25th June 1706, balance in the accountants favour £336 3s 5³/₄d

A letter from Thomas Taylor (Jer Hunter's man) of the 29th ult., with a bill of loading inclosed for 200 pieces of lead shipped in the Philip of Ipswich, John Hammond Master. Freight thereof 12d per piece amounting to £10.

Mr De Lannoy reported the sale of 100 pieces of Newcastle lead at £8 19s per fodder to John Beighton.

16th July 1706 LLC 3

A letter from Samuel Davis and Company at Gadlis with an account of refining there 127 oz of silver.

Letter from Charles Alsopp with an account of refining 82 oz of silver. Also a pay bill to the 8th inst., balance to the accountants favour £259 17s ³/₄d

The weight of the fodder and half sold to Mr Charles Wallis for Mr Slaughter was 20 pigs — 29 cwt 2 qtr at £9 per fodder, £13 12s 0d.

23rd July 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp with an account of refining 60 oz of silver.

Letter from Anthony Barker with an account of refining 164 oz 9 pw of silver.

Letter from Charles Hareford with the weight of lead sold to Anthony Swymer & Co. the 30th May last. 699 pigs — 98 tun 0 cwt 1 qtr 24 lb. at £8 10s per tun makes £833 3s 11d.

The Deputy Governor reported that he had sold to Nicholas de Waal 600 pieces of Newcastle lead at £8 19s per fodder.

The messenger reported that he had sent the 20th instant to Anthony Barker & Richard Payne, twenty bushels of bone ashes in five sacks, which ashes were bought of John Adams Esq.

Report of the Visitation to the North and Wales.

We set out from London the 17th June and arrived at Newcastle the 25th. Where we found our agent Charles Alsopp in good credit with the Gentlemen that sell ore, buy lead or furnish

money. In all which particulars we did the necessary to establish the Company's credit, and to secure those Gentlemen in our interest.

We sold there to Richard Cook 30 Fodder of lead at £9 per fodder, which was to be cast into pieces smaller than ordinary, about 90 lbs. weight, the market otherways being from £8 10s to £8 12s 6d.

We then discoursed with Esq.. Errington and Esq.. Blackett who have each of them 1/4 of Blagill mine. They both promised a speeding pay there and a vigorous working to try that mine the whole charge of going it being computed at 40 or £50.

We found at Ryton the Cupola well contrived and well built especially the new part of it but rather too small for the number of furnaces in it, Viz. three ore furnaces and a reducing furnace, two refining furnaces and a slag hearth, all of which we saw work and performed very well, Thomas Pattinson (the Lead Workmen) being a skilful honest and very industrious man, we committed to his care and Charles Alsopp's the management of the Under Workmen, which are a set of honest sober men, well skilled in the several parts of the works.

We find at the Cupola a good stock of ore and coals as also Bricks and Clay for working and repairing the furnaces.

We ordered to Charles Alsopp and Thomas Pattinson twenty shillings each in new money and ten shillings for John Newton as a token of the Company's satisfaction in them as also ten shillings to the under workmen.

We had several meetings with the inhabitants of Ryton about the way to the Cupola and the smoke of it being a nuisance. We stated our case to Counsellor Barnes who gave his opinion in our favour (the copy of which we refer to). However at parting (to make our agents easy and to prevent a suit of law) we left it to Jeremy Hunter's management who very well understood that affair and the persons and will do all that he can to serve the company, or their Agents, so that a further account may be expected from Charles Alsopp as anything further is done.

We gave the parson of Ryton (with whom we had a great deal of discourse about the smoke, and having satisfied him that it was no nuisance) ten shillings to be given to the poor of the parish.

We visited Ambrose Crowley's works, where we bespoke two new scarvells, and discoursed them about the two pair of Bellows we have at Ryton to dispose of, think we may agree about them.

We proceeded to Alston Moor, all on horseback (the way being inaccessible for a coach) and in our way viewed Whitfield mill, a place that has been much used for smelting lead in hearths, by help of water, it being proposed by Thomas Pattinson that for the convenience of smelting slag as being nearer the ore, it might be for the Company's interest to take it, the rent being but £7 or £8 annually.

The following estimate being made of it viz.

	£	s	d
5 Bings of ore (which may yield about one fodder of lead) may be carried to Whitfield for	0	13	4
The fodder of lead carried to Blaydon or Ryton	0	13	4

5 Bings of ore carried to Ryton	1	6	8
So that there will be saved in the carrying it to Whitfield	1	15	0
The coals may be dearer at Whitfield than Ryton for the smelting so much ore	0	8	4
So that a fodder of lead may be worked cheaper at Whitfield than at Ryton by	0	1	4
So that we think it worth further consideration.	0	7	0

There is a stream large enough and (they say) constant, tis in a bottom surrounded with very high hills.

There is room enough for an erection and would be readily encouraged by Esquire Whitfield the landlord. But before any agreed matter should be laid out in buildings, the certainty of coals must be duly enquired into though (upon what enquiry we could make) we were assured that there was no danger of their failing, nor would they be dearer (or but very little) than at Ryton.

We viewed the mines belonging to this Company as well as some others we buy of. New tine Green has yielded great quantities, but the forefield dividing itself in two and running into small strings, was left off.

Old Tine Green South vein was wrought by the Emerson's but twitcht out at the bottom of the hill. But it is the opinion of the miners, that the vein would come in rich again up the hill, as Newtine Green did and is looked upon as the hopefulest trial that can be made in Priorsdale. Covert fold is wrought by Enoch Hudson, who pays the seventh dish duty ore, he does not get much at present. Tis thought that if the lease of Priorsdale was longer many might venture upon it, paying the seventh dish duty to the Company and might make discoveries for them. Tis believed by John Newton, that the term might be lengthened and at less rent, if it be thought fitt which deserves to be considered of.

Clargill head offered to be took by the Bargain by Thomas Marshall to work it with four men constantly for four years, at twenty shillings per Bing, the Company finding all materials, which we have left to John Newton, to do as he shall think best.

OldTine Green North vein wrought by Thomas Walton paying to the Company the 5th dish duty.

Longhole head in Alston Moor whereof 5/8 belong to the Company, and the other 3 to Thomas Stephenson, the level (which will gain 30 fathoms) is carried up about 300 yards and within 60 fathoms of the vein. They work three shifts, and tis hoped the level may be completed in less than one years working more, and then (tis believed by the miners) it may be very good work, they having lost the ore about 18 inches wide, when they were beat off by the water.

Fairhill where of 1/4 belongs to the Company the other 3 to Esq.. Errington &c. This is not wrought (tho hopeful) because of their slackness in paying. She is thought to be the same vein with Brigill Burn a good work hard by.

Blagill where of half belongs to the Company and the other to Esq.. Errington and Justice Blackett.

We went down the 18 fathom shaft they drive there to the East, where are several strings of ore, which are lett at 13s per Bing. We went down the Deep shaft about 50 fathoms Eastwards of the other, and through a long, wet low drift and down 3 sumps. John Newton has lett three

fathoms at ten shillings per fathom to drive, and thirteen shillings per Bing for the ore they get in driving.

They have drove 2 fathoms and got about 2 Bings of ore, which is a good sort of ore, tis best at Bottom, and the vein soyl is softest there by much, tis supposed tis about 30 fathoms short of the place they expect Thorngill vein will cross here, which is the place where they hope to find her rich.

We ordered John Newton to take care to buy what ore he could on the moor and to do everything for the Company's interest.

He is a very honest man, of good judgement, and of a good reputation with the Gentlemen that have mines thereabouts.

It is to be remarked that in this county tis the most troublesome and dangerous riding (perhaps) of any part of England, being extremely hilly, strong and boggy. There is no travelling but with a guide, nor then, but in danger of horse and man.

We crossed the country from hence to Wales with a great deal of difficulty, where we arrived the 7th July.

We found there 4 ore furnaces at work, the slaghearth and two refining furnaces, a very good stock of ore and coals, and the refining keeps pace with the smelting there being hardly ten tun of refineable lead before hand.

William Sharp continues to approve himself a good servant as we also find Charles Halling to be very much to the satisfaction of Anthony Barker, to both which we gave 10s a piece of the new money, as also a new half crown a piece to the two young Refiners (who perform very well) and one to James the Furnace builder and 10d to the workmen at the Cupula to drink. They are all cheerful and understand their business and perform it with a great deal of exactness.

We gave Anthony Barker encouragement and to endeavour to buy ore, especially that which is refineable, and think it the interest of the Company to keep a great stock of ore beforehand at the Cupula, which will have this effect, that the works may be kept going constantly complete, and the sellers of ore will not have the opportunity to raise the price, or alter the manner of payment.

And it seems to us that the Company may carry on the trade there of smelting and refining to what degree they please, and to a more considerable advantage than anybody else. Their works being more regular and fitt, their methods of working better than any in that country, nor is their reputation lower than anybody's they may think to be their competitor.

We visited the Gentlemen of the Country and invited them to Gadlis, where about a dozen of the chief for trade and interest gave us their company, whom we treated as well as we could, and have established the reputation of the Company and their agents with them.

We were several times at the mines and down them, they were found non any ways short of what Anthony Barker had given account of from time to time, to the Court of Assistants, only Pant y Pull Dwr came into ore whilst we were there (in a shaft in fresh ground at the forefield of the old works there) above a yard wide and sunk five foot in it.

There is twenty meers of fresh ground before us so that it is very likely to prove extraordinary good work.

We gave Joseph Crouchly (who is a very honest laborious man and chief of the miners) five shillings new money and for the miners fifteen shillings to drink.

Having done the necessary in Wales we went to Chester in our way home, and had the conversation of Samuel Taylor, David Parry, and Aldran Allen's son who all supped with us and who were all very hearty in the Company's interest.

We bought of Samuel Taylor and partners all the round ore they got between this and Christmas at £4 10s per Tunn, who is inclined to deal with us rather than anybody and whose example will have effect on several.

The next day we dined with Robert Pigot at Eaton, where Aldran Allen also dined with us. We had as much friendship from them both as could be desired, and the assurances of the continuance of it, to the doing every act of friendship to the Company that lay in their power. From whence we proceeded for London, where (we thank God) we arrived safe the 20th July at night.

30th July 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp with an account of refining 86 oz of silver.

Letter from Anthony Barker with an account of refining 174 oz 15 pw of silver and Richard Payne's note for the delivery of 632 oz of silver, carriage 15s (where of 86 oz 1 pw was brought from Ryton and left with Anthony Barker)

Charles Hareford gave his account of sales of lead.

To William Hart 243 pigs — 32 ton 16 cwt 3 qtr 27 lb. at £8 12s 6d per tun £283 6s 7d.

To Samuel Plummer 32 pigs — 2 tun 11 cwt 12 qtr 11 lb. at £8 12s 6d per tun £17 18s 10¹/₂d.

With this letter also came the Company's account, currant, whereby he makes the balance in their favour £1130 2s 2³/₄d.

The treasurer reported that he & Mr Haddon had discoursed Mr Baden the Bone ash man, & also the matter for the future (as they think) so as to have better ashes, & to have them at 3s a bushel. And that he is to allow the company ten bushels of ashes, towards reducing the last parcel bought of him to that price.

The treasurer reported that he had paid John Adams and Company for 70 bushels of bone ashes £12 5s 0d.

And for 100 bushels of bone ashes & casks sent to the North by William Midford 25th June last £18 11s 6d

To Sir John Fleet & Company for Wharfage, lighteridge & cartage of lead to the Tower £11 11s 2d.

The treasurer reported that he had paid for three cieves sent by Wm. Midford to Charles Alsopp £12 2s 0d.

Treasurer further reported that he had paid the widow Mason £10 1s 6d, being so much due to Mr Cornelius Mason deceased for old committee money.

Ingots No 3, 4 and 5 stand to be taken to the Tower.

No 3. 51 lb. 2 oz 0 pw fine

No 4. 51 lb. 8 oz 0 pw fine

No 5. 47 lb. 8 oz 10 pw fine

Being all the better 17¹/₂ pw makes standard 162 lb. 4 oz 18 pw 2 gr.

A warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay Capt. Cook or his order the sum of £256 6s 0d for freight & port charges of 90 tuns of lead from Wales to London.

6th August 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 30th ult with a bill of loading inclosed for 829 pigs of lead quantity (of their weight) 113 tun 1 cwt 0 qr 24 lb, shipped in the Elizabeth Ann Sarah, Thomas Thorpe Master, of London.

Another from Anthony Barker of the 2nd inst with an account of refining 133 oz of silver.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 29th ult with an account of refining 62 oz of silver.

And advice that he had received of Jeremiah Hunter £100 in part for 30 fodder of lead.

Also a Cupola pay bill enclosed, balance in the accountants favour £171 0s 2¾d.

With this came Robert Pillion's note for 266 oz 5 pw of silver (carriage 4s 6d) which with the 86 oz 15 pw delivered by the Governor and other gentlemen when down at the Works makes 353 oz.

Mr de Lannoy reported 20 pieces of Newcastle lead had been sold to Charles Wallis at £9 3s. per fodder.

Whereas pursuant to the resolutions of a General Court of the Corporation held the 19th day of June 1705, for bringing certain Lead mines & works at Ryton in the Bishopric of Durham into the General Joynt Stock of this Corporation all the shares in the said Ryton Works & most of the shares in the said lead mines & works in Wales (by the name & list of shares in the stock & profits of & for certain Royal Mines Copper & other works vested in Mr Richard Matthew & others Trustees) have been transferred to this Corporation in their Politick capacity, within the time limited by the said General Court for transferring the same.

But forasmuch as some shares of this said last mentioned shares are yet standing out, and not transferred, this Court are of opinion that a further time be allowed for transferring the same upon the terms in the said resolutions mentioned. And that it be so proposed to the General Court to be held this day.

13th August 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Andrew Barker of the 9th instant, with an account of refining 26 oz 15 pw of silver.

Two letters from Charles Alsopp of the 3rd & 5th with an account of refining 96 oz of silver.

And a pay bill for ore & carriage balance in his favour £638 0s 8d.

Also a copy of Esq. Whitfields lease.

The treasurer reported that the General Court held the 6th inst., having enlarged the time for transferring of shares in the stock & profits of & for certain Royal mines &c. to this Corporation in the Politick Capacity on the terms mentioned in the resolutions of a General Court held 19th June 1705 several persons had on this 8th inst., accordingly transferred to this Corporation in their Politick Capacity 30 of the said shares Viz.

Mary Mason executrix of Cornelius Mason 8 shares

William Barron (Executor of Wm Thompson Esq. deceased) for account 2 shares

William Barron for the account of	10 shares
Phineas Bowles for account of	<u>10</u> shares
In all	30

Ordered that warrants be now given for the payment of a dividend of 20s per share

To the said Mary Mason for 8 shares

To the said Wm Baron for 12 shares

To the said Phineas Bowles for 10 shares.

And that a warrant be likewise given to pay the said William Baron £7 8s being the balance due to the said William Thompson deceased upon the Companys books.

The treasurer reported that he had received the silver from Wales mentioned in the minutes of 30th July, which he had carried to the Tower (being Ingot No 6)

That same weighed 52 lb. 5 oz fine

Being 17 pw better standard 56 lb. 5 oz 3 pw 8 gr.

And that he had received for the Ingots No. 3, 4, and for this Ingot the sum of £678 7s 8d.

The messenger reported that he had bought of Mr Baden the 40 bushels of bone ashes & 15 sacks for the same of Mr Marlow, and had delivered the same into Richard Paynes warehouse the 9th inst.

The copy of a letter wrote to Charles Alsopp about Whitfield Mill the 7th inst. was read and approved.

The Deputy Governor brought in the weight of Newcastle lead sold to John Beighton (9th July) 100 pigs — 7 tun 11 cwt 3 qtr 2 lb. at £8 19s fodder £68 1s.

Also the weight of a parcel sold to him 8th inst. 7 pieces quantity, 1 tun 0 cwt 3 qtr 18 lb. at £9 3s fodder £10 12s 9d.

Also the weight of lead sold to Charles Wallis as minuted 6th August 20 pieces quantity 1 tun 10 cwt 1qtrt 4 lb. at £9 3s fodder makes £13 19s 6d.

20th August 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 16th with an account of refining 49 oz 2 pw of silver.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 12th with an account of refining 72 oz of silver.

Ordered. That the messenger send this week to Wales forty bushels of bone ashes in ten sacks.

The messenger reported that he had bought of Mr Roddery 99 bushels of bone ashes which were put in 39 casks

And that he had bought of John Adams & Company 81 bushels of bone ashes which were put in 32 casks. All of which he had shipped in the William Henry, Wm Midford Master for Charles Alsopp at Newcastle.

Capt. Baker offering his services to fetch lead from Wales for the account of this Company, the Court to accept thereof on the same terms as in his former charterparty Viz. 90 tun at 55s per tun & 2/3 port charges.

Mr James Tonkes appearing at the Board and desiring to be made free of this company took the oaths appointed by the charter before the Governor in open court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this Company.

27th August 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 23rd inst with an account of refining 115 oz 15 pw of silver.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 19th with pay bill of Longholehead. Balance due to him £187 4s 9¼d. Also a copy of a lease of Whitfield Mill.

And an account of refining 58 oz of silver. at Ryton.

The messenger reported that he had sent by Richard Payne last week 40 bushels of bone ashes in ten sacks, for Wales, as ordered last day. And that he had paid for the ten sacks and half a pound of packthread one pound twelve shillings & ten pence.

This lease was dated to begin in May 1706 for 99 years from Matthew Whitfield, the yearly rent to be £6 10s paid in equal portions on Martinmas and Ladyday. It included permission to build Kilns, Bingsteads, Slagheaps &c. and to make or build what is needed for Smelting. They were able to dig and win all such quantities of stone, fire stone, limestone and to dig pits for getting clay, in the lands belonging to Matthew Whitfield. They were to pay reasonable damages to the owner or occupier of the lands or ground where such stones or clay were got. "And also free and convenient wayleave, ingress or egress and regress to and from the said Demised premises in and along all the now usual way and ways for leading and raising of ore lead, chopwood, coals and other thing whatsoever up to and from the said Demised premises And likewise free liberty and license during all the said terms yearly and every year to digg grove sett win take load and raise away forth out of upon and from all or any of the moores or commons belonging to the said Matthew Whitfield within the Manor Of Whitfield all such quantity or quantities of turfe or peat as they the said Governor and Company ... shall have occasion to burn or use in the raising on any of their intended undertakings upon or at the said Demised Premises..."

3rd September 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 30th ult silver refined 59 oz 2 pw, enclosed Richard Payne's note for 9 cakes of silver quantity 464 oz 9 pw, carriage 10s.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 26th & 27th ult, quantity silver refined 60 oz.

Ordered that Peter de Lannoy Esq. and Mr John Haddon be appointed to attend and discourse Esq.. Errington about making a pay at Blagill, according to his promise.

The treasurer reported that 100 pigs of Welsh lead were sold to Samuel Robinson at £9 1s 6d per fodder.

10th September 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 6th inst with Elizabeth Paynes note for 6 cakes of silver quantity 358 oz 3 pw carriage 7s 6d., and an account of refining 414 oz 5 pw silver.

A letter from Charles Alsopp of the 2nd inst, silver made 110 oz 5 pw.
And William Teasdale's note for 396 oz 5 pw silver, carriage 6s 9d.

The treasurer reported that he had paid Leonard Roddery for 243 bushels & 3 pecks of bone ashes at 2s 9d bushel £33 10s 0d.
And to Henry Lattemar for 81 casks at 1s 10d each £7 8s 0d.

The messenger reported that he had carried the 6th inst., 42 casks (quantity 104 bushels & 3 pecks) of bone ashes marked A. B. R. to Cains Wharf to go on board Capt. Lyon.
And that he had carried (by Dr Wrights order) two barrels of Litharge to the Bear Garden Plate Glass house and delivered the same to Henry Richards for a tryal on Saturday last.

Ordered. That the Governor, Deputy Governor and Mr Jacob Franklin, or any two of them be appointed to solicit the Admiralty Board, for a Convoy for the ships from Highlake. And that they engage the interest assistance of as many others as they can for that purpose.

The treasurer brought the weight of one hundred pigs of Welsh lead sold to Samuel Robinson (*min 3rd Sept*). 289 cwt 1 qtr 13 lb. is 14 tun 16 cwt 1 qtr 13 lb., at £9 1s 6d per fodder is £134 13s 6d.

17th September 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 13th instant with account of silver refined 124 oz 17 pw of silver. And Cheeseman Peireys bill of loading for 943 pigs of lead quantity (of their weight) 120 tun. Also an invoice thereof making 127 tun 4 cwt 2 qr 5 lb, charges thereon £21 15s 6d.

Letter with Charles Alsopp of the 9th silver made 60 oz. And a Cupola pay bill balance due to him £156 11s 3¾d.

Letter from Thomas Taylor (Jeremy Hunters man) dated the 13th advising of lead shipped
Viz.

In William Midford 200 pieces

In Henry Simpson 111 pieces

Freight at 11d per piece is £14 5s 1d.

Mr de Lannoy reported he had sold Mr John Beighton 100 pigs of Welsh lead at £9 1s 6d per tun.

Mr de Lannoy reported that he and Mr Haddon had been to attend Esquire Errington, but were informed he is not in Town.

The treasurer further reported that he had received the silver from Wales, and also that from the North mentioned in the minutes of the last day. Which held weight, And that he had sent them in one Ingot (No) to the Tower.

24th September 1706 LLC 3

A report read about the 2 ingots of silver sent to the tower mentioned in the minutes of the 10th & 17th September (*no details of these ingots was included in the minutes of the 10th and 17th September*).

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 20th instant made 215 oz 2 pw of silver and Richard Payne's note for delivery of 336 oz 19 pw. carriage 7s.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 16th silver made 82 oz.

The treasurer reported that the Deputy Governor & he had sold the other 5 barrels of Litharge to Henry Richardson Co at the Bear Garden Glass House, with the five sent for a sample, at £9 10s tun delivered there and that 20 more are to be delivered at the same price as soon as they can be got.

The Secretary reported that since the last Court Mary Russell (for the account of Dr Edward Wright) had transferred to this Corporation in their Politick capacity six shares in the Stock & Profits of the Royal Mines & pursuant to the resolutions of the General Court held the 19th day of June 1705.

Benjamin Hawkins appearing at the Board and desiring to be made free of this Company subscribed the Declaration (in Lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in Open Court, and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this Company.

1st October 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 27th ult, silver made 243 oz 3 pw.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 23rd ult silver made 74 oz.

The messenger reported that he had received of Leonard Roddery the 26th ult., 100 bushels of bone ashes in 40 casks marked A.B.R. Which were delivered at Cains wharf to go on board Capt Lyon for Chester.

That he had received the same day at Porters Kay 3 barrels of Litharge quantity 28 cwt 0 qr 17 lb which he delivered to Mr Richardson & company at the Bear Garden Glass House, pursuant of an order of the last day.

The Messenger reported that he had shipped in William Midford the 27th ult 300 hoops viz 200 at 15s per cwt and 100 at 20 per cwt, being for the litharge casks at Ryton and also 3 cieves that cost £1 2s 0d.

The 100 bushels and ½ of bone ashes bought of Mr Roddery at 2s 9d per bushel amounting to £13 16s 6d.

And the 40 casks bought of Henry Latimar at 22s coming to £3 13s 4d

Making together £17 9s 10d

The Deputy Governor reported that endeavours had been used to procure a convoy for the ships at Highlake pursuant to the order of the 10th Ult. But the same is not practicable at present without further assistance from Liverpool or Chester.

The Deputy Governor brought the weight of 683 pieces of Newcastle lead sold to Nicholas de Waal 51 tun 14 cwt 3 qtr 13 lb. at £8 19s tun is £463 5s 5d.

8th October 1706 LLC 3

Treasurer reported that Esq. Hall had sold the United East India Company 500 fodder of lead at £10 per fodder free on board Viz.

100	fodder of Newcastle lead
110	fodder of Stockton lead
90	fodder of Derbyshire lead
<u>200</u>	fodder of Welsh lead

In all 500 foddors

To pay two thirds of the money down, the remainder thereof when all the lead is delivered, and not to be delivered beyond Blackwall at this Companys charge.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 30th ult silver made 72 oz, and he had received £25 from Jeremiah Hunter in part for 30 fodder of lead sold to Richard Cooke.

The treasurer reported that he had received of Nicholas de Waal (by the hands of Samuel Leadbeater) in full for 683 pieces of Newcastle lead sold, Wm Brown Broker 24th July last £163 5s 0d.

Capt Lyon desiring to be employed by the Company to fetch lead from Wales, the Court agreed with him at 55s per tun and two thirds port charges.

Ordered. That the sub committee to buy 110 fodder of Stockton lead and 90 fodder of Derbyshire lead on the best terms they can.

15th October 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of 11th with a note from James Lawranceson (Richard Payne's book keeper) for 3 cakes of silver 203 oz 10 pw. Carriage 4s 6d.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 8th with a note from Christopher Burrells for delivery of 4 cakes of silver 385 oz 5 pw, carriage 6s 9d.

Charles Alsopp advises of silver made 95 oz 5 pw..

The treasurer reported the sale of 150 pigs of Welsh lead 22 fodder 1 cwt 2 qtr 17 lb. to Samuel Lead beater at £9 per fodder £198 15s 3d.

The Treasurer reported that the Sub Committee had bought off Samuel Leadbeater 110 fodder of Stockton lead and 90 fodder of Derbyshire lead at £10 3s 6d per fodder free aboard to be delivered as far as Blackwall.

The Deputy Governor reported that there was shipped on board the Kent, for India, Capt Harrison, 340 pigs of Welsh lead quantity _____ And ____ pieces of Stockton lead (part of the parcel above mentioned to be bought of Samuel Leadbeater) quantity _____

Mr de Lannoy reported that he and Mr Haddon had been to attend Esquire Errington, but were informed he is not in Town.

22nd October 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 11th silver made 60 oz.

The treasurer reported that he had received from the Honourable the United East India Company (by the hand of Urban Hall Esq) the sum of Three thousand and five hundred pounds on account of lead sold them.

29th October 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 21st silver made 68 oz. With the letter came the pay bill at Blagill, and also the Cupola pay bill. Balance due to him £432 11s 5¼d.

The treasurer reported that he had received of Samuel Leadbeater for 150 pigs of Welsh lead mentioned to be sold him the 15th instant £198 15s 0d.

And for 13 Pigs of Welsh lead quantity 1 fother 17 cwt 3 qr 8 lb, mentioned in this days sub committee minutes to be sold him at £9 per fother £17 4s 0d
making together £215 19s 0d

5th November 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 1st instant with Elizabeth Payne's note for delivery of 244 oz 10 pw of silver, carriage 5s 6d.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 28th ult of silver made 62 oz. With this letter came the carriers pay bill

Balance due to the accountant £703 12s 1¼d.

12th November 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker 8th instant silver made 333 oz 2 pw of silver, and Elizabeth Payne's note for delivery of 280 oz 4 pw of silver, carriage 7s.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 5th silver made 68 oz.

The Deputy Governor brought in the weights of 100 pigs of Welsh lead sold John Beighton 17th Sept last quantity 14 fother 18 cwt 3 qtr 6 lb. at £9 1s 6d per fother is £135 16s.

19th November 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 15th silver made 257 oz 2 pw.

Ordered that the accountant and secretary do against the next court day draw out an account (from Anthony Barker's letters and the minute book) of lead made for refining & refined & silver made & sent up from the beginning to this time.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 11th inst., silver made 110 oz 5 pw, and Edward Simpsons note for delivery of 386 oz 5 pw of silver, carriage 6s 9d.

Mr John Haddon reported that they had seen and discoursed with Esquire Errington, and that he says he can do nothing about Whitfield mill till he comes in the country which he designs to do about Christmas, and then will consider of the matter, and let John Newton or Charles Alsopp know.

The treasurer reported the weight and fineness of the 3 ingots of silver last sent to the tower.

No 7	60 lb.	6 oz	fine	better	151/5 pw	standard	64 lb. 8 oz 13 pw	19 gr.
No 8	62 lb.	8 oz	fine	better	161/2 pw	standard	67 lb. 4 oz 8 pw	13 gr.
No 9	59 lb.	10 oz	fine	better	171/2 pw	standard	64 lb. 6 oz 12 pw	0 gr.

Total 196 lb. 7 oz 14 pw 8 gr.

At 5s 2d oz is £609 11s 9d

26th November 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 22nd silver made 138 oz 17 pw.

Letter from Charles Alsopp dated the 18th instant silver made 56 oz.

Memorandum to take off 16 tun 12 cwt 3 qr 24 lb, from the loss of lead by refining, so much being lost by smelting for sale, weights made &c.

The treasurer reported that he had paid for custom of lead shipped	£	s	d	
in the Stringer Gally for India	58	10	0	
Cocket		4	0	
Searches &c.		<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>	
				£59 4s 6d
For custom of lead shipped in the Duchess	58	6	0	
For custom of lead shipped in the Howland	97	6	0	
Cockets		8	0	
Searches &c.		<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>
				£157 7s 0d
In all				<u>£216 11 6</u>

The treasurer further reported that he had paid to Leonard Roddery for forty bushells of bone ashes at two shillings and nine pence per bushel £5 10s 0d

To Leonard Roddery for one hundred and four bushels at two shillings and nine pence per bushel

To Daniel May for ten sacks at 3s 3d

To Henry Lattimar for 41 casks at 22s

In all

£14 6s 0d
£1 12s 6d
£3 15s 2d
£25 3s 8d

The messenger reported that the 40 bushels of bone ashes above mentioned were sent in ten sacks to Richard Payne's warehouse.

And that the 104 bushels were sent in casks to Crane's wharf for Chester.

3rd December 1706 LLC 3

Anthony Barker letter of the 29th ult with Elizabeth Payne's note for delivery of 351 oz 7 pw of silver, carriage 7s 6d.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 25th ult. silver made 74 oz.

The weight of 292 pigs of lead sold to Anthony Swymmer (26th Nov) 45 tun 12 cwt 0 qtr 3 lb. at £9 5s tun is £421 16s 7½d.

10th December 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 6th silver made 217 oz 10 pw.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 2nd silver made 76 ounces, and a Cupula pay bill balance due to him £354 3s 5½d ordered that the accountant examine the same.

One from said Alsopp and Thomas Pattinson of the same date concerning Whitfield mill.

17th December 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker's dated 13th inst. silver made 136 oz.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 9th silver made 76 oz.

Charles Harford gave the weights of lead sold to Thomas Hort 42 tun 7 cwt 3 qtr 4 lb. (being 250 pigs) at £9 5s tun is £392 2s 01/4d.

Dr Wright reported from the sub committee of the lead sold the United East India Company and shipped in several ships for India, being 5,040 pieces quantity 475 fodder 2 cwt 7 lbs. at £10 3s per fodder free aboard is £4,783 0s 1d.

Dr Wright further reported from the same sub committee that Samuel Leadbeater had delivered a bill of parcels of the Derbyshire and Stockton lead bought of him being 2,425 pieces at 200 fother 18 cwt 3 lbs. at £10 3s 6d per fother free on board is £2,044 8s 0d.

24th December 1706 LLC 3

Anthony Barker letter of the 20th inclosed a note from James Lawranceson for delivery of 5 cakes of silver 363 oz 10 pw, carriage 7s 6d.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 16th silver made 87 oz 10 pw of silver and Robert Pillion's note for delivery of 3 cakes of silver 367 oz 10 pw, carriage 6s 4½d.

Dr Wright reported that 20 casks of Litharge sold to Henry Richards & Co were delivered. Also reported the weight of 7 pigs of Welsh lead sold to Thomas Dalton 27th August last being 1 fodder 0 cwt 2 qtr 14 lb. at £9 1s 6d fodder £9 7s 0d.

The treasurer reported the receipt of £1,289 in full for lead sold and delivered to the United East India Co.

30th December 1706 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 23rd silver made 68 oz.

The Deputy Governor brought in an account of the 27 barrels of Litharge delivered to Henry Richards & Co. 127 cwt 3 qtr 18 lb. gross

Fare at 4% is 4 cwt 2 qtr 8 lb. leaves a balance of 123 cwt 1 qtr 10 lb.

Makes 6 tun 3 cwt 10 lb. at £9 10s tun is £58 11s 6d.

7th January 1707 LLC 3

Present

Mr Samuel Davis Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Assistants

Dr Edward Wright

Dr Christopher Crell

Mr Thomas Cooper

Urban Hall Esq

Peter de Lannoy

Mr Richard Matthew

Mr John Haddon

Mr Edward Leeds

Mr Jacob Franklyn

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 27th silver made 157 oz.

Another from Anthony Barker of the 3rd instant, with the particulars of lead made for refining & refined to Christmas last Viz.

Lead made for refining	849 tun	18 cwt 0 qtr	25 lb.
Lead refined	785 tun	15 cwt 3 qtr	24 lb.
Balance	64 tun	2 cwt 1 qtr	1 lb.

He also informs that the amount of silver made & sent up to Christmas last was 10,623 oz 14 pw.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 30th Ult. silver made 60 oz.

Warrants were drawn on the treasurer to pay the following sums Viz.

To several persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 8th day of January 1705 to this day inclusive the sum of eighty one pounds in the particulars underwritten Viz.

	£	s	d
Mr Samuel Davis	6	7	9½
Mr Enoch Floyd	9	4	2½
Urban Hall	3	12	8½
Dr Edward Wright	8	0	4½
Mr John Haddon	7	18	0
Mr Thomas Cooper	8	6	7½
Peter de Lannoy Esq	8	11	6½
Mr Jacob Franklyn	6	1	5½
Dr Christopher Crell	8	11	0½
Mr Edward Leeds	7	3	7½
Mr Richard Matthew	7	3	1½
	<u>81</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Another warrant to pay several persons sums for their attendance on the sub-committee of Trade & Correspondence from the 8th January 1705 to this day inclusive the sum of thirty two pounds eighteen shillings in the particulars underwritten Viz.

	£	s	d
Dr Edward Wright	7	3	3½
Mr Samuel Davis	3	13	3½
Peter de Lannoy Esq	7	4	5½
Mr John Haddon	7	8	5½
Mr Enoch Floyd	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>
	<u>32</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>0</u>

14th January 1707 LLC 3

Present

Urban Hall Esq Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Assistants

Dr Edward Wright

Mr Thomas Cooper

Dr Christopher Crell

Mr Jacob Franklyn

Mr John Haddon

Mr Richard Matthew

Mr Samuel Davis

Peter de Lannoy Esq

Mr Edward Leeds

Charles du Bois Esq.

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 10th silver made 109 oz. And a bill of loading for 306 pigs of lead quantity of their weight 40 tun 3 cwt 0 qr 2 lb shipped in Matthew Hernaman for Bristol.

Letter from Charles Alsopp 6th instant silver made 68 oz. With this letter came the draught of a lease from Esquire Whitfield which was referred to the Sub committee for consideration. Also the pay bill of Longholehead balance due to him £509 1s 9d..

The treasurer reported the weight and fineness of the 3 ingots of silver last sent to the tower.

No 10 60 lb. 3 oz fine better 17 pw

No 11 12 lb. 0 oz fine better 16 pw

No 12 60 lb. 6 oz fine better 16 pw

The total Standard 195 lb. 1 oz 8 pw 22 gr. at 5s 2 d oz is £604 17s 2d

Treasurer further Reported that he had sold to Samuel Leadbeater all the Newcastle lead the Company had in town (Viz. 430pieces) at £9 per fother.

The secretary reported that he had sent out summonses to Charles du Bois Esq., & Mr Jacob Franklyn who were chosen of the Court of Assistants the last day and did not then take the oath appointed by the Charter, in order to their attending this Court to qualify themselves for said office.

The messenger reported that one hundred and two bushels of bone ashes put up in forty six casks lay ready at Leonard Rodderys.

Resolved

That Mr Deputy Governor, Mr Samuel Davis, Dr Edward Wright, Peter de Lannoy Esq., and Mr John Haddon be the sub-committee of Trade and Correspondence for the year ensuing.

Mr Jacob Franklyn being elected to be an assistant of this Company, subscribed declaration (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) as an assistant of this Company, before the Governor in open Court & thereupon took his place at the Board accordingly.

Charles du Bois Esq being elected to be an assistant of this Company, now attended the Court, and took the oaths appointed by the Charter as an assistant of this Company, before the Governor in open Court & thereupon took his place at the Board accordingly.

21 January 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 17th inst silver made 68 oz 10 pw.

One from Charles Alsopp of the 19th silver made 74 oz. And a Cupola pay bill Balance due to him £457 8s 6d.

The messenger reported that the 102 bushels of bone ashes in 46 casks, mentioned in the minutes of the last day, were carried to Canes Wharfe, in order to be shipped to Wales with those that were there before (making in all 206 bushels in 87 casks) with the first opportunity.

Ordered. That the accountant attend the Court this day sennight and that all books & papers belonging to the Company be brought into the counting house.

28th January 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 24th inst silver made 264 oz 14 pw of silver and James Lawranceson's (Richard Payne's book keeper) note for delivery of 471 oz 14 pw of silver, carriage ten shillings.

In this letter came enclosed a bill of loading for 709 pigs of lead quantity 107 tun 12 cwt 2 qr 5 lb (at 120 lb to the cwt & 20 cwt to the tun) shipped in John Lyon for Bristol. Also an invoice for charges thereon £20 11s 7d.

Received a letter from Charles Alsopp of the 20th silver made 65 oz 15 pw, and Wm Teasdales note enclosed for 329 oz 15 pw of silver, carriage 5s 9d.
With this letter came the draught of a house for smelting, refining with a slag hearth and reducing.

Letter from Thomas Taylor (Jeremy Hunters man) dated the 18th with two bills of loading Viz.

One for 200 piece of lead in Richard Ablson

The other for 248 piece s of lead and 23 casks of litharge (quantity 5 tuns) shipped in Wm Gaskin

The freight of the lead at 12d per piece amounting to	£22 8s 0d
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And the freight of the litharge at 20s per tun to	<u>£5 0s 0d</u>
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Making together	£27 8s 0d
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The Deputy Governor brought in the weights of 430 pigs of lead sold to Samuel Leadbeater quantity 32 fother 11 cwt 0 qtr 25 lb. at £9 per fother is £293 3s 6d.

The Accountant attending according to an order of the last day Mr Governor acquainted him with the since of the last Court Viz.

That he was discharged the Company's service. And that he be paid to Christmas Last, when the sub-committee have satisfied the Court that all the books and papers belonging to the Company are brought into the counting house.

4th February 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 31st silver made 195 oz 18 pw, and a note from James Lawranceson (Richard Payne's book keeper) for delivery of 305 oz 18 pw of silver carriage 7s.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 27th silver made 62 oz, and the copy of a letter from Esq. Whitfield dated 26th ult about the mill.

The Court being informed that all the books and papers belonging to the Company were brought into the counting house.

Ordered. That a warrant be drawn on the treasurer to pay Mr Kempster (late accountant to this Company) fifteen pounds, in full for his salary and all other accounts to this day.

And that a warrant be likewise drawn on the treasurer to pay the Cloathworkers Porters, in full for landing of lead &c. to Christmas last £ 37 12s 0d.

Wm Smith appearing at the Board & desiring to be made free of this Company took the oaths appointed by the charter before the Governor in open court & was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this Company.

11th February 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of 7th inst silver made 239 oz 1 pw of silver.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of 12th silver made 60 oz.

A warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay the Widow Wilkins in full for 72 casks for the bone ashes at 1s 8d per cask £6 0s 0d.

The accountant being discharged the Company's service and Samuel Quinton (The present secretary to the Company) making his humble request to the Court that he might likewise serve them in the capacity of an accountant, the Court took the same into consideration and it was:

Resolved & Agreed

That the said Samuel Quinton be accordingly entertained for three months as accountant to this Company at an additional salary of twenty pounds per annum, providing he does the Company's business to their satisfaction. Otherwise to be paid only his present salary, & to be discharged the Company's service.

18th February 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 10th instant silver made 68 oz.

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 14th silver made 254 oz 5 pw, and James Lawranceson (Richard Payne's book keeper) note for delivery of 370 oz 19 pw of silver, carriage 8s 6d.

The messenger reported that he had received the 12th inst. at Porters Kay a barrel of litharge quantity 4 cwt 1 qr 0 lb, which he had carried to the Glass House in the Minories. That he had received the 13th instant of Leonard Roddery 76 bushels & ½ of bone ashes which were put in 31 casks & carried to Cains Wharfe.

That he had received the same day of Leonard Roddery 58 bushels of bone ashes, which were put up in 26 casks & delivered to the Goodchild's warehouse for Newcastle.

25th February 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 21st silver made 244 oz 3 pw, and Richard Payne's note for delivery of 314 oz of silver, carriage 7s

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 17th silver made 60 oz.

The treasurer reported that he had paid Richard Ableson for freight of 199 pieces of lead from Newcastle £9 7s having abated him 12s for a piece that was missing.

The messenger reported that he had shipped in Richard Ableson 26 casks of bone ashes for Newcastle.

The treasurer reported that he had paid Leonard Roddery for 134 bushels & ½ of bone ashes at 2s 9d per bushel & carriage £18 14s 6d.

4th March 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 24th ult. silver made 74 oz 15 pw, and Alexander Burrell's note for delivery of 324 oz 15 pw of silver, carriage 5s 7½d.

With this letter came a Cupola pay bill balance due to him £146 9s 7d.

With the letter also came the draught of a lease of Whitfield Mill.

11th March 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 7th silver made last week 222 oz 8 pw, and this week 228 oz of silver. And a note from James Lawranson (Richard Payne's book keeper) for 363 oz 8 pw of silver, carriage 8s.

With this letter came a bill of loading for lead shipped in John Brazil for Bristol Viz 318 pigs quantity of the weight 47 tun 10 cwt 3 qr 11 lb.

And an invoice for charges thereon £4 9s 7½d

Letter from Charles Alsopp account of the 3rd silver made 60 oz.

The weight of lead sold to Thomas Hort 22nd Last was given, 444 pigs was 70 tun 8 cwt 3 qtr 27 lb. is £642 17s 1d.

18th March 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 14th instant silver made 224 oz, and a note from James Lawrence for delivery of 276 oz 18 pw of silver, carriage 6s 6d..

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 10th silver made 62 oz of.

Weight of lead sold to Thomas Hort & Co the 10th inst. 465 pigs was 74 tun 0 cwt 2 qtr 13 lb. at £9 2s 6d tun is £675 10s 7½d.

The treasurer reported the weight and fineness of the 3 ingots of silver last sent to the tower.

No 13 66 lb. 5 oz fine better 17 pw

No 14 56 lb. 1 oz fine better 16 pw

No 15 52 lb. 10 oz 10 gr. fine better 17½ pw

Total standard weight 188 lb. 8 oz 1 pw 1 gr.

The messenger reported that he had received the 13th instant of Leonard Roddery 98 bushels of bone ashes at 2s 9d which were put up in 40 casks marked A.B.R. and delivered the 14th inst., on board Richard Charles at Cotton's Wharfe for Chester.

25th March 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 24th inst silver made 52 oz 18 pw.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 17th silver made 60 oz.

The treasurer had sold John Sharpe 400 pigs of Newcastle lead at £8 19s fodder.

He also reported he had received £8 for 4 barrels of Litharge sold to William Blackburn weight 16 tun at £2 tun .

Received off the Deputy Governor for 28 pigs of Newcastle lead weight 2 tun 3 cwt qtr cwt 25 lb. at £9 2s tun £19 15s.

Of Samuel Leadbeater in full for 430 pieces of Newcastle lead sold him as minute of 14th January last £293 3s 0d.

The messenger reported that he had shipped the 19th instant in Richard Charles at Cottons Wharfe for Chester 118 barrels of bone ashes marked A.B.R.

1st April 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 24th silver made 62 oz.

The treasurer reported the sale of 768 pieces of Newcastle lead at £8 19s fother to Samuel Leadbeater.

The treasurer reported that the Deputy Governor & himself had sold the remaining Litharge to Robert Cowper & Company at £10 per tun delivered.

The Deputy Governor brought the weight of 4 casks of Litharge sold to John Hocker 19 cwt at £10 per tun is £9 10s.

8th April 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Anthon Barker of the 4th instant, with a bill of loading for lead shipped in Thomas Baker Viz.

598 pigs quantity of their weight 87 tun 0 cwt 0 qr 0 lb
per invoice 91 tun 18 cwt 3 qr 23 lb

Charges thereon £17 12s 0d

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 31st ult silver made 64 oz 15 pw, and Edward Simpsons note for delivery of 308 oz 15 pw of silver, carriage 5s 4½d

15th April 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 11th inst., silver made 144 oz 16 pw.

Letter from Charles Alsopp 7th instant silver made 53 oz of silver.

Also the pay bill of Ryton Cupola, balance due £82 15s 6½d

22nd April 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 18th inst., silver made 276 oz 6 pw, and Elizabeth Paynes note for delivery of 421 oz 2 pw of silver.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 14th silver made 70 oz.

The treasure reported that the Ingot of silver last sent to the Tower (No 17) weighed 25 lb. 8 oz 10 pw fine better 17 pw, which was 27 lb. 8 oz 2 pw 11 gr. standard.

29th April 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 21st inst., silver made 50 oz.

The treasurer reported the receipt of £35 1s from Robert Cowper & Co for 17 casks of Litharge sold to them the 1st inst. Weighing 3 tun 10 cwt 0 qtr 21 lb. at £10 per tun.

The weight of 400 pieces of Newcastle lead sold to John Sharpe the 25th March last was 30 tun 13 cwt 3 qtr 0 lb. at £8 19s tun is £274 16s.

6th May 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker 2nd instant silver made 141 oz 10 pw.

Letter from Charles Alsopp 28th ult silver made 68 oz.

The treasurer reported that he had received of Mr Samuel Leadbeater £200, in part for Newcastle lead sold him.

The treasurer reported that all the Welsh lead in the Thorp and Peirey had been sold to Samuel Leadbeater at £8 19s fother and that he had received £500 down and was to receive £500 every 6 weeks and the balance with the last payment.

He further reported that he had received out of the tower the remainder of the money due upon the five last of the 17 ingots of silver that are coyned being £848 16s 2d. And that the sale upon the whole coynage amounts to (more than five shillings and two pence per ounce on standard) thirteen pounds eight shillings and three pence.

Making together eight hundred and sixty five pounds four shillings and five pence.

13th May 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of 3rd inst., silver made 117 oz 9 pw of silver with Richard Payne's note for 421 oz of silver, carriage 9s.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 5th silver made 24 oz.

With this letter came the pay bill for Whitfield cupola, £211 17s 7d.

The weight of lead sold to Caleb Floyd & Co the 8th inst. 306 pigs 48 tun 18 cwt 27 lb. at £9 2s tun £445 6s 6d.

Agreed that a dividend of 20/- per share be paid on or before the 24th June next. And that for the future fifteen shillings per share be divided on each such share every six months. The first dividend to be made at Christmas next.

Mr John Haddon making a motion to this Court relating to this Company purchasing land of the Pennsylvania land Company.

Ordered. That it be referred to Mr Deputy Governor, Dr Edward Wright, Peter de Lannoy Esq., Mr Samuel Davis & Mr Thomas Cooper, or any three of them, to consider of the said motion, and report their opinion therein to this Court.

20th May 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 12th with William Teasdale's note for delivery of 319 oz 10 pw of silver, carriage 5s 6³/₄d.

The accountant laid before the Board the warrants for a dividend of twenty shillings per share, pursuant of an order of the last day, which were perused, allowed & signed by the Court as followeth Viz.

				Shares	£
To	Mr	Isaac	Ashley	16	16
To	Mrs	Patience	Ashfeild	10	10
To	Mr	John	Askew	10	10
To	Esq	Charles	du Bois	20	20
To	Mr	John	Bellers	20	20
To	Mrs	Mary	Bawne	20	20
To	Mrs	Sarah	Bates	10	10
To	Mr	James	Brace	5	5
To	Dr	Christopher	Crell	15	15
To	Mr	Thomas	Cooper	40	40
To	Mrs	Elizabeth	Clay	20	20
To	Mr	Richard	Collett	5	5
To	Mr	William	Chambers	4	4
To	Mr	John	Clarke	3	3
To	Mr	Thomas	Davis	20	20
To	Mr	Edward	Doyley	25	25
To	Mr	Richard	Diamond	10	10
To	Mr	Enoch	Floyd	38	38
To	Mr	Jacob	Franklin	50	50
To	Mr	John	Freame	10	10

To	Mr	Thomas	Gould	10	10
To	Mr	Urban	Hall Esq	30	30
To	Mr	John	Haddon	20	20
To	Mr	Joseph	Heale	10	10
To	Mr	John	Hester	30	30
To	Mr	Benjamin	Hoskins	10	10
To	Mr	Thomas	Hale	5	5
To	Mr	Thomas	Kirby	15	15
To	Mr	John	Knight	10	10
To	Mr	William	Kent	8	8
To	Esq	Peter	de Lannoy	25	25
To	Mr	Edward	Leeds	55	55
To	Mr	Thomas	Lee	2	2
To	Mr	Joseph	Lacy	2	2
To	Mr	Richard	Matthew	106	106
To	Mr	Cornelius	Mason	23	23
To	Mr	Nathanael	Matson	50	50
To	Mrs	Mary	Mason	17	17
To	Mr	Lascells	Metcalf	10	10
To	Mr	Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
To	Mr	Roger	Newham	8	8
To	Mr	William	Ockenden	10	10
To	Mr	Thomas	Oade	5	5
To	Mr	Clement	Plumsted	10	10
To	Mrs	Mary	Perkins	10	10
To	Mr	John	Peirie	5	5
To	Mr	Nathanael	Rous	5	5
To	Mrs	Mary	Stamper	16	16
To	Mr	William	Smith	10	10
To	Mr	John	Tanner	10	10
To	Mr	James	Tonkes	5	5
To	Dr	Edward	Wright	47	47
To	Mr	Arthur	Woolley	10	10
Total				945	945

A warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay Thomas Thorpe for the freight of 107 tun & ½ of lead from Wales at 55 shillings per tun £295 12s 0d
2/3 of Port charges £6 13s 0d
Making together £302 5s 0d

A warrant drawn on the treasurer Cheeseman Prirey for the freight of 120 tun of lead from Wales at 55 shillings per tun and two thirds port charges £340 0s 0d
The treasurer brought in the weight of 1044 pigs of Newcastle lead sold to Samuel Leadbeater 79 fother 4 cwt 0 qtr 26 lb. at £8 19s fother is £708 19s 0d.

The Deputy Governor reported that himself & the other persons appointed last Court day to consider of the motion by Mr John Haddon had met with some persons appointed by the Pennsylvania Land Company to treat with some of the Company about uniting the Stock of the said Land Company with this Corporation. And that they find their stock consists of sixty thousand acres of land in Pennsylvania &c. most of it already taken up and registered there, and patents under the Seal of the province for the same, and the rest in a good forwardness. That for the same they are to pay but two beaver skins per Annum if demanded. That they are clear of debts on this side and they do not know that they owe anything in Pennsylvania, having remitted money to answer the charges of taking up the land and do believe there can not want much money for that use.

That the profit that is proposed to be made by the said Land is by sale of it, as may be thought fit. And that it is the opinion the present proprietors that the least the land will fetch is ten pounds a hundred acres. Which is confirmed by some of the members of this Company, who understand the value of land in Pennsylvania. So that it is the opinion of the persons to whom it was referred that if this Company can have a reasonable offer from the proprietors of the said Land Company, it may be safe for this Company to procure the said land to be brought into the stock of this Corporation.

Then Mr John Haddon laid before the board the proposal made to this Company by a General meeting of the Proprietors of the said Pennsylvania Land Company the 19th instant Viz. That they are willing to Unite their land shares to this Company on the terms following (that is to say) That the several proprietors of the said Land Company shall transfer four and shares upon consideration of being entitled to one share in the stock of this Company.

Ordered. That it be referred to the several persons before appointed, or any three of them to consider further of the said affair, & report to this Court.

27th May 1707 LLC 3

Received the pay bill of Ryton Cupula.

The draught of a lease of Alefell and Priorsdale, from Thomas Richardson to this Company.

Ordered that the secretary make a close copy thereof to be sent to John Newton, in order to be approved, engrossed and executed.

Letter from Charles Hareford advising of the sale of the lead in the John Brazill being 318 pigs, 50 tun 4 cwt 0 qtr 8 lb. amounting to £457 9s 10¹/₄d.

3rd June 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 27th ult with Richard Payne's note for delivery of 500 oz 18 pw of silver, carriage 10s.

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 26th ult. with Edward Simpson's note for delivery of 131 oz of silver, carriage 2s 3d.

Warrant to Sir John Fleet & Company, for Wharfage & lead landed &c. to the 24th of June 1705 (being for the account of the late Lead Company of Ryton) £7 5s 0d.

To Sir John Fleet or Wharfage & lead landed &c. for the account of this company to Lady day last £39 9s 0d.

The secretary laid before the Court a close copy of the Draught of a lease from Thomas Richardson to this Company, and the same was enclosed in the letter now wrote to John Newton.

A Warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay Leonard Roddery for 213 bushels of bone ashes at 2 shillings 9 pence per bushel	£29 5s 0d
To Henry Lattemar for 60 casks at 20s and 11 at 22s as per bill	<u>£8 15s 0d</u>
In one warrant making together	£38 0s 0d

17th June 1707 LLC 3

Two letters from Anthony Barker of the 10th & 13th instant advising of the following lead shipped in several ships for Bristol, & the bills of loading & invoices enclosed Viz.

	Pigs	T	cwt	qr	lb
In John Roberts	624	96	3	3	25
In Wm Floyd	366	55	13	2	21
In Thomas Christian	<u>185</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>16</u>
In All	<u>1175</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 9th advising of Litharge shipped in Christopher Ward for London Viz

46 casks quantity 9 tuns 5 cwt 3 qr 0 lb

The messenger reported that on the 11th instant he carried to Cottons Wharfe 41 casks of bone ashes quantity 107 bushels to be put on the Coronation, John Freeland Master for Chester.

The treasurer reported the weights of silver sent to the tower.

Ingot No 1	34 lb.	10 oz	5 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 2	61 lb.	5 oz	5 pw	fine	better	16 1/2 pw
Ingot No 3	52 lb.	5 oz	10 gr.	fine	better	17 pw

Total standard weight 159 lb. 10 oz 2 pw 21 gr.

24th June 1707 LLC 3

The treasurer reported that he had received £495 10s 2d from the mint for ingots 1, 2, and 3. The messenger reported that he had shipped the 21st instant in John Freeland for Chester 42 casks of bone ashes quantity 114 bushels, which with the 41 casks reported to be shipped last Court day makes 82 casks quantity 221 bushels.

1st July 1707 LLC 3

A letter from Charles Alsopp with a note from Edward Simpson for delivery of 192 oz of silver, carriage 3s 6d.

5 pieces of lead sold by Jeremiah Hunter 7 cwt 0 qtr 14 lb., also 171 pieces of lead sold to George Benson 250 cwt 7 lb. being 11 fother 19 cwt 0 qtr 7 lb. at £8 15s fother.

8th July 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 30th ult, enclosed two pay bills, one for Ryton Cupula, the other for Blagill mine.

The messenger reported that he had shipped in Wm Midford the 2nd instant for Newcastle 60 casks of bone ashes quantity 106 bushels marked C.A.R.

A warrant was drawn on the treasurer to pay himself for two years rent for the Court room and Counting house.

Due at Lady day last	£24
And for firing, & candles for the same	<u>£5</u>
In all	£29

15th July 1707 LLC 3

Letter from John Newton of the 2nd instant with the lease of Alefell & Priorsdale.

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 11th with Elizabeth Payne's note for delivery of 474 oz 1 pw of silver carriage 10s.

The treasurer reported that he had paid Leonard Roddery for 114 bushels of bone ashes at 2s 9d per bushel

£15 13s 6d

And to Henry Lattemar for 41 casks at 1s 10d per cask

£3 15s 2d

In all £19 8s 8d

The Sub-committee having examined the lease of Alefell & Priorsdale made from Thomas Richardson to this Company, and the said Thomas Richardson having executed his part thereof

Ordered. That the Common seal of this Corporation be now affixed to the other part of the said lease.

Which was done accordingly, and attested by the secretary and one Mr John Hall, who attended the Court for that purpose from Mr John Walton, mentioned in Mr John Newton's letter of the 2nd instant, and then delivered to the said Mr Hall for the use of the said Thomas Richardson.

The treasurer brought the weights of 46 casks of Litharge sold to Samuel Heathcot & Co delivered the 8th inst., Nett weight 9 tun 4 cwt 1 qtr 23 lb. at £10 tun £92 4s 5d.

Mr John Aynsley and Henry Ogle attended the Court, with the lease from Matthew Whitfield Esq. to this Company, the same was examined, and said Matthew Whitfield having executed his part thereof. The Common seal of the Corporation was now affixed to the other part of the said lease.

22nd July 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 14th enclosed a pay bill for ore carriage at Whitfield Cupola.

The treasurer reported that he has got the Beams & ceives for Mr Barker.

Ordered. That the messenger get carriage for the same this week.

The occasions of the Company requiring a speedy supply of money.

Ordered. That it be left to the sub-committee to raise the sums in such a manner as be most convenient for this Company's service.

29th July 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp 18th instant with a note from Edward Simpson for delivery of 184 oz 15 pw of silver carriage 3s 3d.

5th August 1707 LLC 3

55 pigs of lead had been sold to Nicholas Ridley 79 fother 3 cwt 7 lb. at £8 15s per fother. Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 28th ult with the pay bill at Longholehead.

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 1st instant with a note from James Lawranceson (Richard Payne's book keeper) for delivery of 404 oz of silver carriage 8s.

The messenger reported that he had delivered to Joseph Harrington (the Chester Carrier) on the 2nd instant the two beams and four riddles & ceives for Mr Barker.

Dr Edward Wright (from the sub-committee) reported that they had adjusted John Lyon's Account. And that there is due to him

for the freight of 102 tun of lead at £2 15s per tun	£280 10s 0d
2/3 port charges	£8 11s 4½d

Agreed to be given him for the service of his men
in saving the lead cast away at Highlake

	<u>£2 3s 0d</u>
In all	<u>£291 4s 4½d</u>

12th August 1707 LLC 3

30 pieces of lead sold to Nicholas Ridley weight 2 fother 3 cwt 21 lb. at £8 15s per fother. Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 4th with a pay bill of Shildon mine.

19th August 1707 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 11th with a pay bill of Ryton Cupola.

Ordered that the secretary do against the next Court day prepare an instrument from the Company to empower John Newton to let & set their mines in Alefell & Priorsdale.

26th August 1707 LLC 3

The secretary (according to order) laid before the Court an instrument to empower John Newton to let and set their mines in Alefell and Priorsdale which was read and approved and the common seal of the corporation affixed.

A copy of which instrument is underwritten Viz.

London 26th August 1707

Know all men by the presents that we the Governor & Company for Smelting Down Lead with Pit coal & Sea coal do hereby authorise & empower John Newton of Aldston Moor in the County of Cumberland Miner, for us & on our behalves, to grant set & to farm, let, lease or tacknote of all the every or any our mines veins & minerals whatsoever at or within the bounds or liberty of Alefell in the Country of Northumberland, and also within a place or manor called Priorsdale in the County of Cumberland, as well within Acree Wall as without Acree Wall, and of right belonging to Thomas Richardson of Gate in the said County of

Cumberland Gent (of whom we hold the same) and that to such person & persons, for such term & terms of years & under such covenants conditions & agreements as he shall from time to time think fit. Which leases or tacknotes shall be (& are hereby acknowledged & declared to be) of equal force, and as valid and effectual to all intents and purposes as if the same were directly made and granted by our selves. In Witness whereof we have caused our Common Seal to be hereunto affixed the day and year above written.

Signed by order of the Court of Assistants

Samuel Quinton

The treasurer reported the weights of ingots sent to the tower.

Ingot No 4 55 lb. 3 oz 0 pw fine better 17 pw

Ingot No 5 49 lb. 0 oz 10 pw fine better 17 pw

Total standard weight 112 lb. 3 oz 6 pw 17 gr. at 5s 2d per oz is £348 1s 0d.

Upon reading John Newton's letter of the 30th ult & 15th instant giving some account of His Grace the Duke of Queensbury's mines in the Shiredom of Nitherdale &c., the matter was considered and it was

Resolved

To make his Lordship the following proposals Viz.

That the Company have a grant of all mines, veins and minerals within his liberty in the Shiredom aforesaid for 31 years, with usual covenants to pay an eighth stone of smelted lead, in such manner as shall be agreed, and to be obliged to work two shafts at least, and if we desist working six months together, the lease to be forfeited, and his Lordship to have power of re-entry.

30th September 1707 LLC 3

Paid to Matthew Parfree for a large pair of double bellows sent to Wales and for hair cloth and packing £9 8s 0d.

Paid Robert Pearson for freight of 49 casks of Litharge from Newcastle £9 18s 0d.

7th October 1707 LLC 3

The treasurer paid Thomas Dale for the freight of 50 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 11d per piece £2 5s 10d.

21st October 1707 LLC 3

Ordered. The treasurer pay Francis Freshfield for the freight of 100 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 11d per piece £4 11s 8d.

The treasurer reported the weights of ingots sent to the tower.

Ingot No 6 52 lb. 0 oz 0 pw fine better 17 pw

Ingot No 7 51 lb. 9 oz 10 pw fine better 17 1/2 pw

Total standard weight 111 lb. 10 oz 10 pw 6 gr. at 5s 2d per oz is £346 17s 8d.

4th November 1707 LLC 3

Received off Samuel Heathcote & Co £117 18s 4d in full for 58 casks of Litharge sold to him.

9th December 1707 LLC 3

The treasurer reported the weights of ingots sent to the tower.

Ingot No 8	50 lb.	1 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16 1/2 pw
Ingot No 9	55 lb.	1 oz	0 pw	fine	better	17 1/2 pw
Ingot No 10	41 lb.	7 oz	10 pw	fine	better	17 1/2 pw
Total standard weight 158 lb. 1 oz 12 pw 23 gr. at 5s 2d per oz is £490 4s 3d.						

16th December 1707 LLC 3

Mr Samuel Beachcroft attending this Court & desiring to be made free of this Company took the oaths appointed by the charter before the Governor in open Court & was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this Company.

Resolved

That a Court be held at this place on Tuesday this 6th day of January next between the hours of 2 & 4 in the afternoon, for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and Ten Assistants for the year ensuing, according to the appointment of the Charter.

6th January 1708 LLC 3

Warrants were drawn on the treasurer to pay Sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 7th January 1707 to this day inclusive, and & £78 in the particulars underwritten Viz.

	£	s	d
Urban Hall	5	16	4 1/2
Enoch Floyd	8	2	8 1/2
Dr Edward Wright	8	1	3 1/2
Samuel Davis	7	0	9 1/2
Peter de Lannoy Esq	7	8	9 1/2
Richard Matthew	5	8	7 1/2
John Haddon	7	7	8
Thomas Cooper	8	1	3 1/2
Jacob Franklin	6	6	1 1/2
Charles du Bois Esq	0	8	6 1/2
Dr Christopher Crell	7	17	6 1/2
Edward Leeds	6	0	9
	£78	0	0

To Sundry persons for their attendance on the sub-committee of the Trade & Correspondence from the 7th January 1707 to this day inclusive, forty pounds and ten shillings in the particulars underwritten. Viz.

	£	s	d
Dr Edward Wright	8	18	6
Peter de Lannoy	8	3	6
Samuel Davis	6	6	0
John Haddon	8	3	6
Enoch Floyd	8	18	6
	£40	10	0

Adjourned to half an hour after 4 o'clock

6th January 1708 LLC 3

At a Court of Assistants held by adjournment to half an hour after four o'clock the same day.

Present

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Dr Edward Wright

Peter de Lannoy Esq

Mr Edward Leeds

Mr John Haddon

Mr Thomas Cooper

Mr Samuel Davis

Mr Jacob Franklin

Peter de Lannoy Esq, Messrs Samuel Davis, Edward Leeds, Samuel Beachcroft, being elected Assistants of this Company took the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court, and thereupon took their places at the Board of Assistants

And Dr Edward Wright, Messrs John Haddon, Thomas Cooper, Jacob Franklin being likewise elected Assistants of this Company severally signed Declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Deputy Governor in open Court, & thereupon severally took their places at the Board of Assistants.

Ordered. That the secretary send out summonses to such persons as were this day chosen of the Court of Assistants & have not yet taken the oath appointed by the charter, to inform them of the next meeting of the said Court, that they may then attend, to qualify themselves for the said office.

13th January 1708 LLC 3

Present

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Dr Edward Wright

Mr Thomas Cooper

Mr Edward Leeds

Mr John Haddon

Peter de Lannoy Esq

Dr Christopher Crell

Mr Jacob Franklin

Mr Samuel Beachcroft

Mr Samuel Davis

Warrants drawn on the treasurer to pay the following Viz.

To Capt. Thomas Baker for freight of 87 tun of lead from

Wales at 55s per tun £239 5s 0d

2/3 port charges £13 6s 8d

In all £252 11s 8d

Another warrant to pay sundry persons for the freight of lead & litharge from Newcastle Viz.

To Thomas Landweth for 50 pieces of lead £2 10s 0d

33 casks of Litharge quantity 7 tun £7 0s 0d

Wm Atkinson 100 pieces of lead £5 0s 0d

John Breckon 300 pieces of lead £15 0s 0d

Wm Oxley 200 pieces of lead £10 0s 0d

27 casks of Litharge quantity 6 tuns £6 0s 0d

£45 10s 0d

Dr Christopher Crell being elected an Assistant of this Company took the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon took his place at the Board accordingly.

Resolved

That the Deputy Governor, Dr Edward Wright, Peter de Lannoy Esq, Mr Samuel Davis & Mr John Haddon be the sub-committee of trade & correspondence for the year ensuing, and that the sum of fifteen shillings be allowed them for each time of meeting.

20th January 1708 LLC 3

A warrant was drawn on the treasurer to pay the Cloathworkers Porters in full for landing of lead & litharge to Christmas last £23 19s 9d.

27th January 1708 LLC 3

A warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay Michael Thurston for the freight of 200 pieces of lead from Newcastle

£10 0s 0d

28 casks of litharge quantity 6 tunns

£6 0s 0d

Making together

£16 0s 0d

Ordered. That Mr Deputy Governor, Dr Edward Wright, Mr John Haddon, and Mr Samuel Davis, or any two of them attend & discourse the Lord Barnard about Langdon Mine & report to this Court.

It being resolved by this Court the 13th May last that from & after midsummer then report ensuing, fifteen shillings per share should be divided of the stock of this corporation every six months to all such members as had complied with the resolutions of a General Court held the 19th day of June 1705.

Ordered. That the secretary make out warrants for the payment of the aid fifteen shillings per share to each proprietor that is not indebted to this Corporation, in order to be perused allowed & signed next Court, at this Board.

3rd February 1708 LLC 3

The treasurer reported the weights of ingots sent to the tower.

Ingot No 11 47 lb. 10 oz 10 pw fine better 17½pw

Ingot No 12 42 lb. 2 oz 10 pw fine better 17 pw

Ingot No 13 63 lb. 4 oz 0 pw fine better 17½pw

Total standard weight 165 lb. 4 oz 8 pw 21 gr. at 5s 2d per oz is £512 12s 8d.

A warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay Edmund May for the freight of 200 pieces of lead from Newcastle

£10 0s 0d.

And to Mr Oxley for 50 pieces

£2 10s 0d

Making together

£12 10s 0d

The Deputy Governor reported that Dr Wright and himself (accompanied by Mr Robert Ruddle) had attended the Lord Barnard about Langdon mine, pursuant to an order of the last day, and that he saith the lease is not out till March 1709 and that at present he can not tell

what he shall do with her. But shall be in the country this Summer, and consider matters, and if he doth part with her, will discourse us further about it.

The secretary laid before the board the warrants for a dividend of 15 shillings per share.

		Shares	£	s	d
Isaac	Ashley	16	12		
Patience	Ashfield	10	7	10	
John	Askew	5	3	15	
Charles	du Bois	20	15		
John	Bellers	20	15		
Mary	Bawne	20	15		
Sarah	Bates	10	7	10	
James	Brace	5	3	15	
Samuel	Beachcroft	20	15		
Christopher	Crell	15	11	5	
Thomas	Cooper	40	30		
Elizabeth	Clay	20	15		
Richard	Collett	5	3	15	
William	Chambers	4	3		
John	Clarke	3	2	5	
Thomas	Davis	10	7	10	
Edward	Doyly	25	18	15	
Richard	Diamond	10	7	10	
Enoch	Floyd	38	28	10	
Jacob	Franklin	50	37	10	
John	Freame	10	7	10	
Thomas	Gould	10	7	10	
Urban	Hall Esq	30	22	10	
John	Haddon	20	15		
Joseph	Heale	10	7	10	
John	Hester	30	22	10	
Benjamin	Hoskins	10	7	10	
Thomas	Hale	5	3	15	
Joyce	Issod	5	3	15	
Thomas	Kirby	15	11	5	
John	Knight	10	7	10	
William	Kent	8	6		
Peter	de Lannoy	25	18	15	
Edward	Leeds	55	41	5	
Thomas	Lee	2	1	10	
Joseph	Lacy	2	1	10	
Richard	Matthew deceased	106	79	10	
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	17	5	
Nathanael	Matson	50	37	10	
Mary	Mason	57	42	15	
Lascells	Metcalf	10	7	10	

Gilbert	Molleson	5	3	15
Roger	Newham	8	6	
William	Ockenden	10	7	10
Thomas	Oade	5	3	15
Clement	Plumsted	10	7	10
Mary	Perkins	10	7	10
John	Peirie	5	3	15
Nathanael	Rous	5	3	15
Michael	Russell	6	4	10
Mary	Stamper	16	12	
William	Smith	10	7	10
John	Tanner	10	7	10
James	Tonkes	5	3	15
Edward	Wright	21	15	15
Arthur	Woolley	<u>10</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>10</u>
	Total	975	£731	5s

10th February 1708 LLC3

Present

Urban Hall Esq Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Assistants

Dr Edward Wright

Mr Thomas Cooper

Mr Samuel Davis

Mr Edward Leeds

Mr Samuel Beechcroft

Mr Jacob Franklin

Mr John Haddon

Peter de Lannoy Esq

Dr Christopher Crell

Urban Hall Esq., being elected Governor of this Company took the Oaths appointed by the charter being administered in open Court, thereupon took his place at the Board as Governor. Mr Enoch Floyd being elected Deputy Governor of this Company took the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court, and thereupon took his place at the board as Deputy Governor.

24th February 1707 LLC3

Ordered. That the secretary do against the next Court prepare the draught of a lease, for John Newton to Grant from this Company to persons that shall take ground in Priorsdale or Alefell. To be perused & amended by the sub-committee, and laid before the Court.

2nd March 1708 LLC3

Dr Wright from the sub-committee laid before the Court the draught of a lease for John Newton to grant from this Company to persons that shall take ground in Priorsdale or Alefell, having perused & amended the same pursuant of an order of the last day.

Ordered. That the secretary make a close copy thereof to be sent to John Newton.

6th April 1708 LLC 3

The treasurer reported the weights of ingots sent to the tower.

Ingot No 14 54 lb. 1 oz 10 pw fine better 16 1/2 pw

Ingot No 15 41 lb. 2 oz 5 pw fine better 17 pw

Ingot No 16 42 lb. 2 oz 10 pw fine better 17 pw

Total standard weight 148 lb. 5 oz 12 pw 8 gr. at 5s 2d per oz is £460 4s 10d

And that the overtale on the whole coinage came to £4 4s 6d

Making together £464 9s 4d

4th May 1708 LLC 3

A warrant drawn to pay freight of lead from Newcastle to the following persons Viz. To Wm Ringrose for 150 pieces at 11d per piece, William Plew for 200 pieces and to Lawrence Olston for 16 pieces, in all 366 pieces of lead at 11d per piece £16 16s 6d.

Mr Samuel Davis desiring leave of the Court that he might Transfer all his shares but ten he hath in this Company's books notwithstanding the Obligation he has under to pay first the debt he owes the Company which now is about One hundred and Six Pounds ten shillings.

Ordered. That the said Mr Samuel Davis be allowed to transfer all his shares except ten upon his executing a Bond or Writing to make good the said payment to this Company in the same manner as if the said shares had remained untransferred. And that the said Ten shares shall not be transferred till the Company is satisfied.

11th May 1708 LLC 3

The Deputy reported that the persons appointed last Court had received from Mr Samuel Davis a writing to their satisfaction which was now lodged with the treasurer and that accordingly they had allowed him to transfer ten shares to Mr James Tonkes.

18th May 1708 LLC 3

There was nominated for secretary and accountant to this Company in the room of Samuel Quinton dismissed this Company's service for the neglect of his duty &c., the following persons. Viz.

Caleb Williams 8

_____ Dent 9

_____ Chambers 3

The majority falling upon the first two it was Resolved

That the next Court the said Caleb Williams & _____ Dent shall be put to nomination again and the person that shall have the majority shall then be declared Secretary & Accountant to this Company on such terms as shall then be settled.

25th May 1708 LLC 3

Ordered. That the members of the Sub-committee and Mr Thomas Cooper and three of them do treat & conclude with Mr John Doubleday about Shildon mine.

According to the order of the last Court Caleb Williams & _____ Dent were put in nomination for Secretary & Accountant and after some debate the Court chose Caleb Williams Nemine Contradicente Secretary and Accountant to this company on the following terms Viz.

Thirty pounds per annum to find security for £250 for his house &c. and that he undertake no other business but with leave from this Company.

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25th of May 1708

Nomination for Secretary and Accountant. and after some debate the Court chose Caleb Williams Nemine Contradicente Secretary and Accountant to this Comp^y on the following Terms Viz: Thirty pounds p^a Annum to find Security for 250 for his honesty &c. and that he undertake no other business but with leave from the Company.

And the s^d Caleb Williams being called in accepted the said Offices on the Terms abovesaid and was Sworn accordingly in open Court and took his place.

Order'd

That the Secretary copy into this days Minutes the form of the Oath this day taken by him for the faithfull discharge of his Office viz.

I Caleb Williams do sincerely Promise and Swear that I will faithfully and honestly discharge the Trust and Office of Secretary and Accountant to the Governour and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pittcoal & Seacoal The Affairs and Secrets of the s^d Comp^y. I will not in any Wise directly nor indirectly discover or disclose and in all things committed to my Charge diligently execute the same to the best of my Skill.

So help me God.

Adjourn'd to Tuesday next ½ an hour After 2 a Clock Afternoon.

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1st June 1708 LLC 3

The treasurer reported that John Doubleday had been discoursed about the Shildon mines &c. and offers to assign the lease thereof from the Bishop of Durham for about 20 years to come to this Company for £200 of which said lease this Court conceives that the Company have a good title to a third part thereof already.

Ordered that the treasurer be empowered to treat with John Doubleday about the assignment of the lease of Shildon mines and that whatever agreement he shall make with the said John Doubleday this Court will allow and confirm the same.

8th June 1708 LLC 3

The treasurer reported that he had according to the order of the last Court discoursed with John Doubleday about the assignment of the lease of Shildon mines &s. and that he the said John Doubleday would give the Company a months time to consider of his proposal.

29th June 1708 LLC 3

Resolved that upon some advice from George Place one of the miners at Halken mountain of some undue practices there, and for the settling of this Company's affairs there the 3 persons be empowered to go thither as soon as may be viz. Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor, Dr Edward Wright treasurer and Mr John Haddon who accordingly agree to set forward the beginning of next week.

6th July 1708 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 20th ult with a letter enclosed from La: Westgarth concerning 200 bings of ore to be disposed of at Jefferies Grove.

Letter from Luke Denman a miner at Halken mountain containing a further account of mismanagement of workmen there.

Letter from Charles Harford with the weight of lead sold to Philip Freek & Co 523 pigs quantity 83 tun 17 cwt 3 qtr 9 lb. at £8 17s per tun amounts to £743 6s 9d. 30 pigs 6 tun 3 cwt 3 qtr 6 lb. at £8 17s per tun amounting to £54 15s.

Sold to Samuel Plummer 64 pigs 10 tun 5 cwt 2 qtr 1 lb. at £8 17s 6d amounting to £91 3s 0d.

Sold to Thomas Plummer 64 pigs 10 tun 4 cwt 2 qtr 19 lb. at £8 17s 6d tun comes to £90 16s 5d.

Letter from Anthony Barker of the 29th ult inclosing Richard Paynes note for delivery of 382 oz 3 pw of silver, carriage 7s.

13th July 1708 LLC 3

Account of lead sold.

To John Doubleday 22 pieces quantity 31 cwt 3 qtr 14 lb	being 1 fodder 10 cwt 3 qtr 14 lb	
at £8 12s 6d per fodder amounting to		£13 1s 10d.

To Mr Ridley 105 pieces quantity 152 cwt 0 qtr 7 lb.	being 7 fodder 5 cwt 0 qtr 7 lb	
at £8 12s 6d per fodder amounts to		£62 9s 0d.

To Jonathan Hargreave 80 pieces quantity 115 cwt 3 qtr 14 lb.	being 5 tun 10 cwt 3 qtr 14 lb.	
at £8 12s 6d per fodder amounts to		<u>£47 11s 10d.</u>

Total being	£123 2s 8d.
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Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 5th instant, with Longhole Head pay bill and several charges for portorage, tonnages which were delivered to the accountant.

Mr Franklyn reported the weight and fineness of the last ingot sent to the tower.

Ingot No.	52 lb.	8 oz	0 pw	fine	better 16½ pw
Alloy	3 lb	10 oz	19 pw	11 gr	
Standard	56 lb	6 oz	19 pw	11 gr.	
At 5s 2d per oz	Amounts to				£175 7s 9d.
And the overtale on the whole coinage	came to				6s 0d
	Making together				£175 13s 9d
Which sum he has received in New Money					

20th July 1708 LLC 3

Letter from Charles Alsopp of the 12th instant, enclosed a Ryton Cupula pay bill which was examined and some errors found therein.

Letter from Anthony Barker with Richard Paynes note for delivery of £400 in cash for which he is to receive 40 shillings and 470 oz 16 pw of silver carriage 9 shillings.

Mr Franklyn reported that he had on the 15th instant paid John Bilton £15 in full for 300 pigs of lead from Newcastle.

The secretary reported the weights of 1621 pigs of lead sold to Mr Leadbeater 4th February last and 366 pigs sold 11th May last, total 150 Fother 17 cwt 0 qtr 25 lb. at £8 17s 6d per fother amounts to £1339 1s 6d.

27th July 1708 LLC 3

Two letters from Jeremiah Hunter one of the 17th instant advised of 300 pigs of lead shipped on board the Anne of Newcastle for Amsterdam, John Unthank master and consigned to Messrs de Woolf and Crellius containing 433 cwt 3 qtr 7 lb., also 150 pigs sold to Richard Ridley 219 cwt 1 qtr 14 lb. The other of the 19th instant containing an account of shipping 221 pigs of lead in Willing Mind of Scarborough John Squire master.

Charles Alsopp letter with the Whitfield Cupula pay bill and Edward Simpsons note for delivery of 4 cakes of silver weighing 230 oz 5 pw.

Mr Franklyn reported the receipt of 2 parcels of silver from Wales the first containing 382 oz 3 pw the other 478 oz 16 pw which he had carried to Mr Carlitches where they were made up into 2 ingots.

Ingot No 1	35 lb.	10 oz	15 pw
Ingot No 2	38 lb.	8 oz	5 pw
Total	71 lb.	7 oz	0 pw taken to the tower.

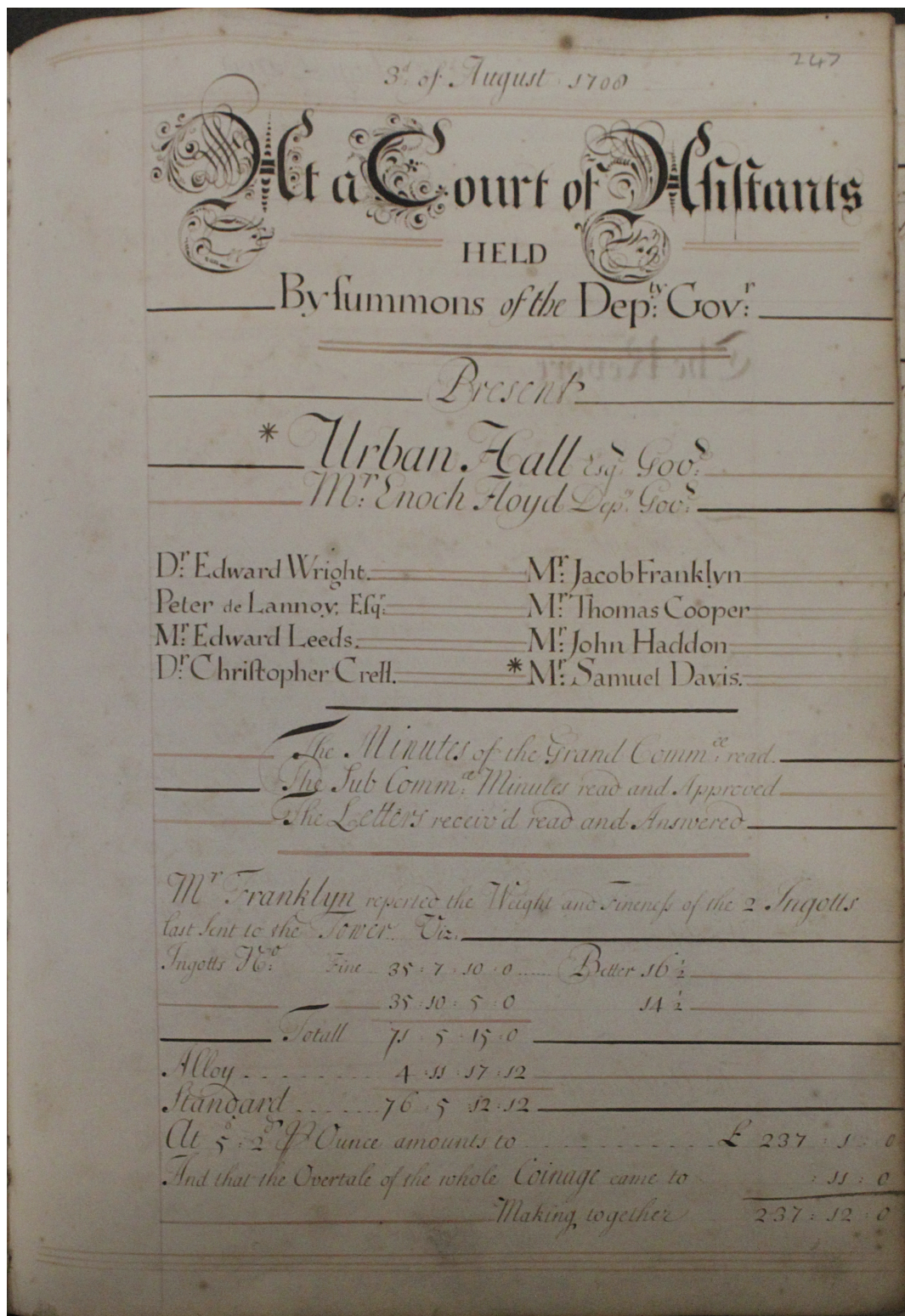
3rd August 1708 LLC 3

The weight and fineness of the last two ingots taken to the tower were:

Ingots fine	35 lb	7 oz	10 pw	0 gr	better 16½ pw
	35 lb	10 oz	5 pw	0 gr	better 14½ pw
Total	71 lb	5 oz	15 pw		
Alloy	4 lb	11 oz	17 pw	12 gr	
Standard	76 lb	5 oz	12 pw	12 gr	
at 5s 2d per oz	amounts to				£237 1s 0d

And the overtale of the whole coinage came to
Making together

11s 0d
£237 12s 0d



3rd August 1708 page 247

The report of the deputation to Wales.

We set out from London the 5th day of July and arrived at Gadlis the 10th where we found the work at the Cupula in very great order viz.

4 smelting furnaces, 4 refining furnaces, 2 slagge hearths, a smithy and running Buddles very well supplied with water, notwithstanding the long dry season they had had, which is no small advantage to the works most of its parts requiring water; another fund of water is provided by making of about 120,000 very good bricks out of the field above the workhouse, and of ore a very great stock, judged not to be less than 600 Tunns about 260 Tunns whereof is the overweight of ore brought thither from the Company's mines and works and bought ore.

The workmen are kept in great order by the care and example of Anthony Barker and Charles Halling none being suffered to swear &c. without punishment, nor to frequent alehouses, neither to bring drink to the work house, but from their own families.

The labourers (that do not work shifts) are called to their work by beat of drum at 6 o'clock in the morning, discharged at 12 at noon and called again at one and so again discharged at 6 in the evening with great exactness and order.

Several of these are employed in Buddling and washing the black slaggs, wastes &c., which is not practiced so well, nor such conveniences for it, in any of the like works we have seen, in many not at all. Thus these slaggs &c. contain a great deal of lead; we had a washed parcel of these slaggs smelted, during our stay there, which yielded about 12 Tun of lead besides 2 Tun left in their slagge.

There remains a great many of the like Black Slaggs to be thus wrought, besides other wastes, one of which they were trying whilst we were there and promised success viz. The fumes of the lead that hang in the chimneys of the smelting and refining furnaces is converted into a sort of slagge, which is not doubted will run well in a slagge hearth so that there non remains but one waste viz. the bottom of the Test, to find a way to gain some lead from, which we hope may be done, in the mean time we save all in order to it.

We found at the Cupula about 30 Tunn of very good bones which cost about 30s per Tunn delivered there from Ireland and from whence they can have greater quantity from time to time which considered we thought greatly for the Company's interest, to make their own ashes upon the spot, which hitherto they could not do by trials made to burn them the last of which was by kiln, which instead of burning them to their binding quality, partly vitrified them, by the excess of their own fire fiercely drawn by the air of the furnace by which they lost their binding quality, and could hardly be pounded.

To remedy which we tried several degrees and manners of Calcining them, and found that a reverberating oven much like that for making Red lead would effect it, by which the bones will be equally and fitly calcin'd, easily beaten, and the Calx of a strong binding quality, this occasioned us to order a small apartment to be built, that may cost about £15, where the bones will be burnt picked and beaten with little cost, and tis conceived by William Sharp that the new ashes are best by far, also in the oven the old ashes may receive a gentle Calcination almost without charge, which may add new strength to them.

We observed that in burning the bones, they do not lose half their weight and tis found by experience, that the finer the ashes are sifted the better they bind; and that the finest hair sieves are fittest for it, of which William Sharp desires some bottoms to be sent from hence without their rims.

The works at the Mountain are very good, yield a great deal of ore at many shafts, at Pant y Pwl Dwr and the Old Rake the quantity of round and small ore at both the works at the Pool

and in the Storehouses cannot be less than 500 Tunns. They are sinking two new shafts at the forefield of the 8 meers which go down well, and are come to some shews of ore tho not very deep.

As to the mismanagement's there, that the Court was informed of we made due enquiry and found as follows.

Upon our arrival we ordered George Place and Luke Denman to attend, who both stood by what they had writ. We then ordered the accused to attend another day, where they denied the particulars; especially in the manner laid down by Place and Denman. We then appointed a time of hearing all parties face to face, with their witnesses on the Mountain at which time it was proved that the partners in that Bargain had laid their venture ore on an old flooring of the Company's and when they took away their ore they dug up the said flooring and carried it away to the washing with their own, they thought it might be about 3 Tunns; two of the partners own'd it might be about 2 Tunns.

As to the mistake in the Driving which Denman and Place mentioned we found that there was a great deal in it, but could not be proved to be any wise done by design but the different opinions of the workmen; and that the charge was not near so great as they apprehended, which mistake might partly happen from Joseph Crouchley's neglect of visiting the works, below, so often as we think he ought which was appeared not above once in a week or fortnight and which we hope we have effectually remedy'd for the future.

We likewise found that there was ore that was deemed round ore broke in the mines in order to make it small ore for washing and that it was done by the order of Crouchley's wife who was the head washer, and the others that washed under her were but hired people, which practice we have also broke and ordered the washings to be bargains, by those who will do it cheapest. The like care we have taken that the remaining ore, sinking &c. be done by Bargains as much as possible.

These with several other particulars we took time to consider of, in order to do the best for the Company's interest in so considerable an affair, and accordingly went to the Mountain where all the workpeople were present and published what we had agreed upon viz.

1. That the two Tunn of ore be delivered to Anthony Barker for the Company's use, in lieu of the same quantity that they had wronged the Company of from the floorings at the venture.
2. That they beg the Company's pardon for what they had done, which they very freely did. Express themselves sorry and promised to be true and faithful for the time to come.
3. That William Jackson be taken in, to act on the Mountain in concert with Joseph Crouchly on equal terms at 16d per day each. After which we having desired them to live in love and unity one with another, to do their duty in their several stations, and to pass by what had been done without any more reflections or tangling we left them under a promise so to do very cheerful and well pleased. At the same time introducing William Jackson as their overseer, and to whom they were to give due observance.

From hence we returned to Gadlis where we were to dine with the Gentlemen of the country we had invited who were very well pleased with their entertainment and expressed a great deal of friendship for the Company.

We left Gadlis the 20th and went to Chester where we discoursed Alderman Allen who promised to be the Company's customer for what lead he should have occasion provided we use him as others would.

From thence we went to Liverpool where we settled a Correspondence with John Wainwright a very fit person as we conceive to procure shipping for London and sales of Lead. And

agreed to allow 10s per ship he hath hire for the Company not exceeding 55s per tun freight 2/3 port charges for London to be ty'd to Convoy he is to be allowed besides the charge of charter parties and petty expense and 1 per cent for sales of lead.

We returned again to Chester where we had further discourse with Alderman Allen from thence we went to the Duke of Powys who received us very kindly and had a free conversation about the lead trade &c., he sent his steward to show us his cupola in our way to Shrewsbury where we found 2 ore furnaces & 1 slagg hearth.

When we came to Shrewsbury we discoursed Moncaster a very proper person for buying of lead and willing to deal with Anthony Barker with whom he was willing then to contract for 20 tuns delivered at Chester. And if Anthony Barker and he can agree may deal considerably together. Thus having done everything to the utmost of our power for the service of the Company, hope it will be to the satisfaction of the Court.

10th August 1708 LLC 3

The treasurer reported the weights and fineness of 3 ingots lately delivered to the tower

Ingot No 1	55 lb.	10 oz	10 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 2	48 lb.	6 oz	5 pw	fine	better	17½ pw
Ingot No 3	81 lb.	0 oz	10 pw	fine	better	17½ pw

Standard weights of these ingots were:

Ingot No 1	59 lb.	10 oz	16 pw	12 gr.
Ingot No 2	52 lb.	4 oz	2 pw	23 gr.
Ingot No 3	87 lb.	0 oz	15 pw	14 gr.

At 5s 2d per oz total value is £618 16s 9d.

17th August 1708 LLC 3

Mr John Haddon moved that he thought it a proper time to discourse with the Pennsylvania Land Company again about the proposal made by him to bring the said land into this Corporation.

Resolved

That the Persons appointed by this Court the 13th May 1707 or any three of them be a committee to treat with the persons appointed by the said Land Proprietors and report to this Court their proceedings therein from time to time.

24th August 1708 LLC 3

The treasurer reported the weight of the last ingot carried to the tower.

Ingot No 4	63 lb.	2 oz	0 pw	fine	better	13½ pw
Standard	67 lb.	0 oz	1 pw	21 gr.	value	£208 2s 0d.

Resolved

That it is the opinion of this Court that for the more effectual carrying on this Company's affairs there be admitted and taken an additional subscription of 200 shares at twenty one pounds per share.

Resolved

That it is the opinion of this Court that those that shall subscribe and pay in their money to the treasurer of this Corporation in the manner following Viz. Five pounds per share at the time of subscription, five pounds per share on or before the 4th day of October next; five pounds

per share on or before the 4th day of November next, and the remaining six pounds per share on or before the 4th day of December next shall be allowed 20s per share out of the last payment for prompt payment. Those that shall pay in their whole money before the said days of payment shall be allowed interest for the same.

A dividend of 15/- per share was agreed to be paid on the 15th October next.

31st August 1708 LLC 3

A General Court

Resolved

That it is the opinion of this Court that for the more effectual carrying on this Company's affairs there be admitted and taken an additional subscription of 200 shares at twenty one pounds per share.

Resolved

That it is the opinion of this Court that those that shall subscribe and pay in their money to the treasurer of this Corporation in the manner following Viz. Five pounds per share at the time of subscription, five pounds per share on or before the 4th day of October next; five pounds per share on or before the 4th day of November next, and the remaining six pounds per share on or before the 4th day of December next shall be allowed 20s per share out of the last payment for prompt payment. Those that shall pay in their whole money before the said days of payment shall be allowed interest for the same.

Resolved

That it is the opinion of this Court that the book for subscriptions be opened at this place on Friday the 3rd September next at Two of the clock in the afternoon.

Resolved

That a Dividend of fifteen shillings per share be paid every member that hath a right & title to receive the same pursuant to the Resolutions of a Court of Assistants held 13th May 1707 and that warrants for the same be prepared and made payable the 15th October next.

All agreed to Nemine Contradicente

7th September 1708 LLC 3

The treasurer reported the weight of the last ingot carried to the tower.

Ingot No 5	55 lb. 1 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16 pw
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Standard	59 lb. 1 oz	3 pw	12 gr.	value	£183 8s 0d.
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14th September 1708 LLC 3

A warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay Leonard Roddery fifty two pounds in full for bone ashes.

The treasurer reported that he had paid Henry Lattemar four pounds eleven and six pence for 50 casks of bone ashes.

21 September 1708 LLC 3

A warrant was drawn up to pay Mr John Adams £14 19s 8d for iron plates &c sent to Ryton.

The treasurer reported that he had received of Samuel Leadbeater three hundred and thirty five pounds which with six pounds allowed for landing 800 pieces of lead at the Tower at 15s per 100 pieces is in full to the 28th day of August last.

5th October 1708 LLC 3

The treasurer reported the weight of the last ingot carried to the tower.

Ingot No 6	42 lb. 1 oz	10 pw	fine	better	14 pw
Standard	44 lb. 9 oz	7 pw	14 gr.	value	£138 19s 6d.

19th October 1708 LLC 3

A warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay Lewis Elstob (*Duke of Carlisle's Steward in 1702, in 1717 he was acting as receiver of Forfeited Estates in Lancashire and Northumberland*) or order £400 in discharge of Charles Alsopps bill of the 8th inst.

A warrant drawn on the treasurer to pay John Darley five pounds in full for freight of one hundred pieces of lead from Newcastle.

26th October 1708 LLC 3

The treasurer reported the weight of the last ingot carried to the tower.

Ingot No 7	58 lb. 7 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16½pw
Standard	62 lb. 11 oz	5 pw	value	£195 10s 6d.	

2nd November 1708 LLC 3

The secretary laid before the Board the warrants for a dividend of fifteen shillings per share which were perused and signed by the Court and are as followeth Viz.

		Shares	£	s	d
Isaac	Ashley	16	12		
Patience	Ashfield	10	7	10	
John	Askew	5	3	15	
Charles	du Bois	20	15		
Samuel	Beachcroft	20	15		
John	Bellers	20	15		
Mary	Bawne	20	15		
Sarah	Bates	10	7	10	
James	Brace	5	3	15	
Christopher	Crell	15	11	5	
Thomas	Cooper	40	30		
Elizabeth	Clay	20	15		
Richard	Collett	5	3	15	
William	Chambers	4	3		
John	Clarke	3	2	5	
Samuel	Davis	10			
Edward	Doyly	25	18	15	
Richard	Diamond	10	7	10	
Enoch	Floyd	38	28	10	
Jacob	Franklin	50	37	10	
John	Freame	10	7	10	
Thomas	Gould	10	7	10	
Urban	Hall Esq	30	22	10	
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Joseph	Heale	10	7	10
John	Hester	30	22	10
Benjamin	Hoskins	10	7	10
Thomas	Hale	5	3	15
Joyce	Issod	5	3	15
Thomas	Kirby	15	11	5
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Joseph	Lacy	2	1	10
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Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	17	5
Nathanael	Matson	50	37	10
Mary	Mason	17	12	15
Lascells	Metcalfe	10	7	10
Gilbert	Molleson	5	3	15
Roger	Newham	8	6	
William	Ockenden	10	7	10
Thomas	Oade	5	3	15
Clement	Plumsted	10	7	10
Mary	Perkins	10	7	10
John	Peirie	5	3	15
Nathanael	Rous	5	3	15
Michael	Russell	6	4	10
Mary	Stamper	16	12	
William	Smith	10	7	10
John	Tanner	10	7	10
James	Tonkes	25	18	15
Edward	Wright	21	15	15
Arthur	Woolley	<u>10</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>10</u>
	Total	955	708	15

9th November 1708 LLC 3

The treasurer made out a warrant to pay Mr John Doubleday or order one hundred pounds in discharge of Mr Charles Alsopp's bill of the 29th ulto.

The treasurer reported the weight of the last ingot carried to the tower.

Ingot No 8 51 lb. 5 oz 0 pw fine better 15 pw

Standard 54 lb. 10 oz 13 pw 19 gr. value £170 8s 0d.

16th November 1708 LLC 3

Warrants drawn on the treasurer to pay Matthew Featherstone £240, John Stephenson £100 and Jonathan Hargrave £100 in discharge of 4 bills of Charles Alsopps dated 5th inst.

30th November 1708 LLC 3

The treasurer reported the weight of the last ingot carried to the tower.

Ingot No 9	55 lb. 4 oz	0 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Standard	59 lb. 0 oz	17 pw	7 gr.	value	£183 7s 4d.

7th December 1708 LLC 3

Ordered. That a warrant be given the treasurer next Court to pay John Newton or order £75 in discharge of Charles Alsopp's bill dated the 27th past.

A letter from Caleb Williams importing that he had some business fallen out that would take up his time so that he could no longer attend the service of this Company.

The Court chose into his place as Secretary and Accountant, Frances Robinson with whom it was agreed to pay him £30 per annum he to attend the service of this company as Secretary & Accountant to their satisfaction and to give security and accordingly he this day took the usual oath for the faithful discharge of his office.

14th December 1708 LLC 3

Ordered. That the Deputy Governor, the Treasurer or either of them do endeavour to get a new warrant for a distinction of the money of this Company that shall be coined at the mint.

21st December 1708 LLC 3

The Treasurer reported that he had spoken with the Deputy Master of the Mint, according to the order of the last Court about renewing the warrant for the distinction of this Company's coin and that he would endeavour to get the same before the next Coinage which would not be this two months.

Resolved

That a Court be held at this place on Thursday the 6th day of January next between the hours of two and four in the afternoon for the election of Governor, Deputy Governor and Ten assistants for the year ensuing according to the appointment of the Charter.

28th December 1708 LLC 3

The treasurer reported the weight of the last ingot carried to the tower.

Ingot No 10	54 lb. 10 oz	0 pw	fine	better	15½pw
Standard	58 lb. 7 oz	18 pw	20 gr.	value	£182 1s 7d.

Ordered. That the Sub-committee or any two of them do forthwith attend Esq Foster, upon the subject matter mentioned in Charles Alsopps letter.

4th January 1709 LLC 3

The Deputy Governor reported that he and Dr Edward Wright had been with Esq Foster (according to order) and that he had appointed this afternoon at 4 o'clock to meet some of this Company about Shildon dues &c.

Ordered that the Governor Mr Edward Leeds and Dr Edward Wright do meet with Esquire Forster at the White Lyon Tavern in order to treat with him about buying the ore at Jeffrey's Grove near Shildon and also the dues of Shildon Mine which we pay the farm to the Bishop of Durham and him and that they bargain with him upon the best terms they can.

The following warrants were drawn on the treasurer Viz
 To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the sixth day of
 January one thousand and *eight* to this day inclusive, eighty two pounds 10s in the particulars
 underwritten Viz.

	£	s	d
Urban Hall Esq.	6	12	4
Mr Enoch Floyd	8	3	0
Dr Edward Wright	8	3	0
Mr Samuel Davis	6	19	0
Peter de Lannoy Esq	8	13	0
Mr John Haddon	7	19	6
Mr Thomas Cooper	9	3	0
Mr Jacob Franklyn	8	5	6
Dr Christopher Crell	8	16	0
Mr Edward Leeds	6	9	10
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	3	5	10
	<u>£82</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>0</u>

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Sub-Committee of Trade & Correspondence
 from the thirteenth of January one thousand and *eight* to this day inclusive Viz.

	£	s	d
Dr Edward Wright	10	6	9
Peter de Lannoy	9	19	3
Mr Samuel Davis	5	15	6
Mr John Haddon	10	1	9
Mr Enoch Floyd	<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>
Making together	<u>£46</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>0</u>

Peter Sadler appearing at the Board being a subscriber to the additional Stock was made free
 and took the oaths appointed by the Charter.

6th January 1709 LLC 3

The following persons were unanimously chosen for Governor, Deputy Governor and
 Assistants for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Esq. Governor	
Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor	
Peter de Lannoy	Mr John Haddon
Dr Edward Wright	Mr Thomas Cooper
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	Mr Jacob Franklin
Mr Samuel Davis	Dr Christopher Crell
Charles de Bois Esq	Mr Edward Leeds

John Rayner being one that subscribed to the additional stock, took the oaths appointed by the
 Charter and was made free of this company.

11th January 1709 LLC 3

The following persons Viz. Urban Hall Esq., Governor, Mr Enoch Floyd, Deputy Governor, and Dr Christopher Crell, Peter de Lannoy Esq., Messrs Edward Leeds, Samuel Davis, assistants being elected for the year ensuing severally took the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon took their places at the board accordingly. And Dr Edward Wright, Thomas Cooper, John Haddon and Jacob Franklin being likewise elected assistants of this Company severally signed declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Deputy Governor in open Court, and thereupon took their places at the board accordingly.

Letter from Jeremy Hunter dated 4th instant with a bill of loading for 40 pieces of lead in Wm Coats at 12d per pig.

Letter from John Rawlings dated the 6th Instant advising of 190 pigs arrived at Leachlade which he would forward as soon as the weather permits.

Charles Alsopp letter with Edward Simpson's note for delivery of 277 oz of silver, carriage 4s 6d.

The Governor reported that Esquire Forster had agreed with him for the dues of Shildon and the dues of Jeffrey's Grove for one year from the 4th instant besides the dues of each place unweighed to that day, the ore at Shildon at 30s per Bing and that at Jeffrey's Grove at 33s per Bing to be weighed and paid for accordingly to the custom of these mines and also that he would be governed in the price of cutting ore according to custom, he promised that the Company should always have preference of the duty ores, and his interest and assistance to procure all the other ores, got thereabouts particularly Jeffrey's Grove, of that he would immediately write to the owner about it.

Caleb Williams appearing at the board (the Company's late secretary) and acquainting the board that he had no salary from the 29th September last to the 4th December which is five pounds for two months, the Company considering his poverty, doth order a warrant to be given next Court for payment of the same, the Deputy Governor is desired to give him reprimand from the Chair for neglect of his business and ill serving the Company which was done accordingly.

Resolved

That the following persons Mr Enoch Floyd, Dr Edward Wright, Mr John Haddon, Mr Samuel Davis, & Peter de Lannoy Esq., be a sub-committee for Trade and Correspondence for the year ensuing and the same fifteen shillings be allowed them for each meeting.

18th January 1709 LLC 3

The treasurer reported that the warrant for the distinction of the Company's coin is obtained and is as follows.

ANNE R. _____

Whereas our High Treasurer of England hath laid before us as well the petition of the Governor and Company for smelting down lead with pit coal and sea coal praying for their encouragement that we would be graciously pleased to direct you the Master and worker of our Mint to coin such silver as they shall produce from such lead with the mark of distinction affixed to their said petition as also the

report made by you and the rest of the principal officers of our Mint thereupon and we graciously being pleased to gratify the petitioners in their said request our will and pleasure is and we do hereby will and direct authorise and command that all such silver as shall be brought into our said Mint extracted from lead by the aforesaid art of smelting and refining be from time to time coyned with all convenient speed into the current coyns of this our realm with the mark of distinction on each respective piece as in the form requested in the draught to their said petition hereunto annexed and for so doing this shall be your warrant given at our court in St. James the 20th day of April in the fifth year of our reign by her Majesties command Godolphin

To our Trusty and Well beloved Sir Isaac Newton Knight. Master and worker of our Mint.

ANNE R.

Whereas the Governor and Company for smelting downe lead with pit coal and sea coal have humbly besought us upon the occasion of the Union to renew the directions we gave by our warrant bearing date the 10th April 1706 in the 5th year of our Reign for coyning such silver as they shall extract from such lead with the mark of distinction depicted in the margeant—and we being graciously pleased to condescend to their request, our will and pleasure is, and we do hereby direct authorise and require you to cause all such silver as shall be brought into our said mint, and extracted from lead by the aforesaid art of smelting and refining, to be from time to time coyned into the current coynes of this our realm with the mark of distinction on each respective piece as in the form represented in the margeant, and for so doing this shall be your warrant given at our Court at St James the 29th of December 1708 in the 7th year of our Reign. By Her Majesties Command Godolphin

To our Trusty and Well Beloved Sir Isaac Newton Knight. Master and worker of our Mint.

John Estaugh appearing at the board and desiring to be made free of this Company subscribed the declarations (in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter) before the Governor in open Court and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this Company.

1st February 1709 LLC 3

A warrant was drawn on the treasurer to pay George Moubray or order £100 in discharge of Charles Alsopp's bill dated the 21st part 25 days after date.

Also to pay the freight of 500 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 14d per piece Viz.

To John Linton for 200 pieces £11 13s 4d.

And to John Darley for 300 pieces £17 10s, in all £29 3s 4d.

8th February 1709 LLC 3

Ordered. That the Sub-committee or any other that they shall desire do inspect into the bill for exporting the "Groath and Manufactory of Great Britain to France."

22nd February 1709 LLC 3

The treasurer reported the weight of the last two ingots carried to the tower.

Ingot No 1	62 lb.	4 oz	5 pw	fine	better	13 1/2 pw
Standard	66 lb.	1 oz	15 pw	1 gr.	value	£205 6s 6d.
Ingot No 2	59 lb.	11 oz	0 pw	fine	better	13 pw
Standard	63 lb.	5 oz	2 pw	2 gr.	value	£196 17s 6d.

Total value £402 4s 0d.

8th March 1709 LLC 3

The treasurer reported the weight of the last ingot carried to the tower.

Ingot No 3	61 lb.	10 oz	10 pw	fine	better	14 1/2 pw
Standard	65 lb.	10 oz	19 pw	22 gr.	value	£204 8s 0d.

15th March 1709 LLC 3

Mr Edward Crell appearing at the board & desiring to be made free of this Company took the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and was thereupon accordingly admitted a member of this Company.

22nd March 1709 LLC 3

The Deputy Governor and Dr Edward Wright had met with Sir James Tilly (on behalf of the Lord Barnard) about Langdon mine and had delivered the following proposals viz.

To give him for a lease of that mine for 21 years 10s per Bing on all the ore that shall be got, to be paid quarterly or if he had rather have one fifth in kind as he hath now on all the ore got.

Then to give him 4s per Bing on the four fifths of the ore to be paid as above.

Which were approved by the Court.

29th March 1709 LLC 3

The treasurer reported the weight of the last ingot carried to the tower.

Ingot No 4	63 lb.	11 oz	5 pw	fine	better	14 1/2 pw
Standard	68 lb.	1 oz	7 pw	6 gr.	value	£211 6s 3d.

19th April 1709 LLC 3

The treasurer reported the weight of the last ingot carried to the tower.

Ingot No 5	56 lb.	2 oz	5 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Standard	59 lb.	11 oz	16 pw	3 gr.	value	£185 17s 0d.

3rd May 1709 LLC 3

Resolved that this Company will join with John Bacon Esq., pursuant to his letter this day to give Lord Barnard a sum not exceeding two thousand pounds for a lease of 21 years of Langdon mine one half for Esquire Bacon and the other half for the Company.

24th May 1709 LLC 3

The treasurer reported that several of the sub committee met the agent of the Duke of Queensbury and they had offered the Duke for a lease of 31 years one seventh part of ore that should be got in the going mine, and one eighth part of the ore that should be got in any new

discovery, and to smelt gratis such ore, into lead as the Duke shall have occasion for repairs or buildings of his own.

Ordered. That the secretary make out warrants for a dividend of 15s per share against this day 7 nights being for that of xmas last.

31st May 1709 LLC 3

Ordered. That the warrants that are made out according to the order of the last Court be signed next Court day.

A draught of a lease from the Earl of Morton to this Company of all the mines & minerals whatsoever in the Isles of Orkney & Shetland at a 7th dish in kind duty was read.

Ordered. That the Sub-committee do wait on the said Earl with the same for his approbation, and to take advice of Council if they think fit.

7th June 1709 LLC 3

		Shares	£	s	d
Isaac	Ashley	20	15		
Patience	Ashfield	10	7	10	
John	Askew	5	3	15	
Charles	du Bois	20	15		
Samuel	Beachcroft	44	33		
John	Bellers	20	15		
Mary	Bawne	20	15		
Sarah	Bates	10	7	10	
James	Brace	10	7	10	
John	Beighton	5	3	15	
Christopher	Crell	30	22	10	
Thomas	Cooper	45	33	15	
Elizabeth	Clay	20	15		
Richard	Collett	5	3	15	
William	Chambers	4	3		
John	Clarke	5	3	15	
Ann	Chokke	5	3	15	
Edward	Crell	10	7	10	
Edward	Doyly	25	18	15	
Richard	Diamond	10	7	10	
Joan	Dant	5	3	15	
John	Estaugh	5	3	15	
Enoch	Floyd	40	30	0	
Jacob	Franklin	55	41	5	
John	Freame	15	11	5	
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	7	10	
Thomas	Gould	15	11	5	
Urban	Hall Esq	50	37	10	

John	Haddon	20	15	
Joseph	Heale	10	7	10
Benjamin	Hoskins	10	7	10
Thomas	Hale	5	3	15
Henry	Holloway	10	7	10
Joyce	Issod	5	3	15
Thomas	Kirby	21	15	15
John	Knight	10	7	10
William	Kent	8	6	
Peter	de Lannoy	35	26	5
Edward	Leeds	60	45	0
Thomas	Lee	2	1	10
Joseph	Lacy	2	1	10
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	52	10
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	17	5
Nathanael	Matson	60	45	0
Mary	Mason	17	12	15
Thomas	Martin	10	7	10
Lascells	Metcalf	10	7	10
Gilbert	Molleson	5	3	15
Roger	Newham	8	6	
William	Ockenden	10	7	10
Thomas	Oade	5	3	15
Gregory	Page	10	7	10
Clement	Plumsted	10	7	10
Mary	Perkins	10	7	10
John	Peirie	5	3	15
Nathanael	Rous	5	3	15
Michael	Russell	6	4	10
John	Rayner	5	3	15
Mary	Stamper	16	12	
William	Smith	10	7	10
Peter	Sadler	10	7	10
Joseph	Saunders	10	7	10
John	Tanner	15	11	5
James	Tonkes	25	18	15
Edward	Wright	44	33	0
Arthur	Woolley	10	7	10
Abell	Wilkinson	<u>60</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>0</u>
	Total	1185	888	15

Ordered that Samuel Davis have credit for £7 10s for 10 shares in his name, as also John Hopkins for £3 15s for 5 shares.

14th June 1709 LLC 3

Warrants given out to Pay

George Cotton for 2 Scarvells sent to Newcastle weight 628 lb at 4d is £10 9s 4d & carriage of 2s 6d in all £10 11s 10d.

To Leonard Roddery for 381 ½ bushels of bone ashes at 2s 9d per bushel & cartage at 12s 6d in all £53 1s 6d

To Henry Lattermore for 30 casks and hoopings £3 4s 1d

To John Hammond £4 11s 8d and to Wm Godle £2 5s 10d for freight of 150 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 11d per piece.

John Newton appearing at the Board it was referred to the Sub-committee and any other members of the Court with them to discourse him more fully about the Company's affairs.

5th July 1709 LLC 3

A Warrant was drawn on the treasurer to pay John Blachford & Company for 6 plates & 3 potts sent to Newcastle for £14 17s

The Chairman of the Sub-Committee reported that according to order of the Court the 31st May last that the Earl of Morton had been waited on with the draught lease which has been perused and amended by Sir John Hollis to which the said Earl agreed.

Ordered. That John Blunt do get the same ingrossed.

The Chairman further acquainted the Court that the Earl of Morton did intend forthwith to go himself for the Orkney's &c.

Resolved

That this Court will send some of their members with some miners from the North thither in order to make enquiry what mines are there and what is fit for this Company to do in order to prosecute the same.

Barnham Good appearing at the board and desiring to be made free of this Company took the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and was thereupon admitted a member of this Company.

7th July 1709 LLC 3

The Deputy Governor & Mr John Haddon having considered the motion made last Court about going to the Orkneys made the following proposals.

That if the Court would defray all the charges and expenses of the journey and allow them 20 guineas a piece they were willing to serve the company in that affair to their power.

To which the Court agreed and they are desired to set out as soon as may be.

The lease from the Earl of Morton of all the mines in the Islands of Orkney & Shetland being read.

Resolved

That the Common Seal of this Corporation be affixed to the same in order to be exchanged for that executed by the Earl of Morton. And the Common Seal was affixed accordingly.

12th July 1709 LLC 3

The Deputy Governor & Mr John Haddon acquainted the Court that they designed to set out for the Islands of Orkney &c., on Monday next.

Ordered that the following instruction be given them Viz.

The Court desire you to make what expedition thither you can, taking William Gibson with you from London, and some miners with what may be thought necessary from Newcastle, in order to make what enquiry you can what mines there are in these Islands particularly; what those mines are that Wm Gibson would have taken of the Earl of Morton in the Islands of Mainland & Hoy, also the mine the Earl of Morton gave us account of in the Island of Stronsa that held silver. Also whether there is native silver in the rock called Skippegoe on the North West of the Pallace of Bysea. Likewise what the mine is in the South Reynardshaw near the Ministers house but two pair of Batts from the sea. Likewise of a mine in the Islands of Groomsay and to bring to London a quantity of each ore you can find, likewise what commodities these islands produce that may be vended here, and what commodities may be acceptable there that may be sent from hence.

Also to get what knowledge you can of the seasons of fishing and the sort of fish in the Islands of Orkneys & Shetland.

With any other observations you can make that may be for the service of the Company.

And in your return to view the Company's works at Whitfield and Acton, putting your observations in writing for the information of the Court that they may be able to do what may be for the interest of the stock in their future acting's and in your whole journey you take all opportunities by sea and land to advise the Court of your proceedings. (*note no mention of Ryton*)

And further if it be thought necessary you are to leave William Gibson and the miners for some time longer than your own stay may be on the Islands in order to make all discovery possible.

The Deputy Governor Mr Enoch Floyd, and Mr John Haddon were not listed at the Court of Assistants from 19th July to 30th August 1709.

Ordered. That Warrants be given next Court to the treasurer to pay the following sums Viz. To Mr Samuel Davis in discharge of John Rawlins bill for £350 on account of freight of lead from Leachlade to London.

To Thomas Wade £100 in discharge of Thomas Branshs bill.

One to William Goddle, Jacob Hotchson and John Dockin for the freight of 250 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 11d per piece £11 9s 2d

Ordered. That the Treasurer present Capt. Laycock, the Earl of Morton's servant for his trouble about the grant from the said Earl to this Company with five guineas.

26th July 1709 LLC3

Warrant to pay John Linton, Daniel Curtiss, George Westgarth and John Garbut £45 16s 8d for freight of 1000 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 11d per piece.

9th August 1709 LLC 3

A draught of a lease from the Duke of Queensbury to this Company of certain mines in the Shire of Nithsdale in Scotland was read and agreed.

Ordered. That the Sub-committee do endeavour to get the same agreed by the said Duke.

16th August 1709 LLC 3

The Treasurer reported that he had received £1000 of the East India Company in exchequer notes with interest thereon to the 29th July £1 9s 8d. And that he had given to Councillor Longville £2 3s for perusing the draught of a lease from the Duke of Queensbury.

Warrant given to the treasurer to pay Richard Ridley or order £300, in discharge of Charles Alsopps two bills dated the 5th inst. One payable Wm Drayton, John Linton, George Westgarth and William Smith £46 14s 1d for freight of 1019 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 11d per piece

The treasurer reported the weights and fineness of the following Ingots Viz.

Ingot No 6	47 lb.	0 oz	5 pw	fine	better	14½ pw
Standard	50 lb.	1 oz	2 pw	2 gr.	value £155 9s 10d.	
Ingot No 7	49 lb.	11 oz	10 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Standard	53 lb.	6 oz	14 pw	4 gr.	value £156 5s 0d.	
Ingot No 8	56 lb.	11 oz	15 pw	fine	better	15½ pw
Standard	60 lb.	11 oz	9 pw	19 gr.	value £189 4s 0d.	
Ingot No 9	62 lb.	3 oz	10 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Standard	66 lb.	6 oz	0 pw	3 gr.	value £206 2s 10d.	

Total value of silver £707 0s 10d

23rd August 1709 LLC 3

A warrant was drawn on the treasurer to pay Thomas Dale and Robert Littlefair £7 6s 8d for freight of 160 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 11d per piece.

30th August 1709 LLC 3

Mr Thomas Emlin appearing at the Board and desiring to be made free of this Company took the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and was thereupon admitted a member of this Company.

6th September 1709 LLC 3

A warrant from the Committee of the East India Company was read for the putting on board the Blenheim for India Captain Abraham Parrot commanding 50 fodder of lead.

9th September 1709 LLC 3

The seal of the Company was affixed to the lease from the Duke of Queensbury, and to an indenture whereby the said Duke holds one fourth part of the said grant.

13th September 1709 LLC 3

The treasurer reported he had received of the East India Company £1000 in exchequer notes. The weight of the last 2 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	53 lb.	6 oz 0 pw 5 gr.	fine better	15 pw
Ingot No 2	56 lb.		fine better	15½ pw
Total	117 lb. 0 oz	11 pw 6 gr.	value	£362 16s 10d

Ordered. That the treasurer have credit for the customs &c. 48 Tun 7 cwt of lead shipped on board the Blenheim Captain Abraham Parrott Commander on the account of the East India Company.

Customs	£48 8s 0d
Cocket 3s & searches fees	9s 6d
	<u>12s 6d</u>
	<u>£49 0s 6d</u>

20th September 1709 LLC 3

The secretary read the articles of agreement between Charles Halling and this Company whereby he is to serve the Company for 7 years from the 20th day of November next at £40 per annum and meat, drink, washing & lodging or £10 per annum in lieu there of.

Ordered. That the Common Seal of this Corporation be affixed thereto and the secretary sign them and send them by Richard Paine to Anthony Barker as soon as he can.

27th September 1709 LLC 3

Warrant to Jeremy Hunter or order £250 in discharge of Charles Alsopps 3 bills of the 16th past.

Warrant to pay John Garbut or order £11 9s 2d for freight of 2590 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 11d per piece.

18th October 1709 LLC 3

Mr John Beighton appearing at the Board desiring to be made free of this Company took the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and was thereupon admitted a member of this Company.

The weight of the last 2 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	49 lb.	6 oz	0 pw	0 gr.	fine better	17 pw
Ingot No 2	48 lb.	5 oz			fine better	14½ pw
Total	104 lb. 10 oz	8 pw	17 gr.	value	£312 13s 9d	

The 1st of Nov^r 1709 337

A Court of Assistants
present
Urban Hall Esq^r Gov^r
M^r Enoch Floyd Dep^y

M^r Thomas Cooper M^r Jacob Franklin
D^r Edward Wright D^r Chris^t Crill
Peter de Sanhoy M^r John Haddon
M^r Sam^l Davis

The Minutes of last Court read
The Letters rec^d, read & answered
The Sub Comm^{tee} Minutes read & approved

The following Warrants were given the Treas^r
One to pay Ambrose Barnes or order. \$120⁰⁰—
in discharge of Cr^d. Alsopps bill of the 21st past
One Directed to Anthony Barker. to deliver
100 Tunns of Pottern Ore to Walter Cok Esq^r
or his Order on demand

Ordered

That The Treas^r have Credit for
the Custome & Charges on severall parcells of Lead
shipt on board Sundry Ships of the India Comp^y &c
Custome in the Blenheim p^r India C^y. \$10⁰⁰—

Cocket for ditto 3⁰⁰—
Searchers 3⁰⁶—
Indorcing To to The Rochester 6⁰⁶—
Keyman for Carrying it a board 1¹⁵— \$12⁸—
Carried Forward—

The 1st of Nov^r 1709

Brought Over	£12. 8.
Customs in the Rochester p ^r India	£75. .
Cocket	3.
Searchers	12. 12.
	£75. 15.
Customs in the Susanna p ^r D ^o	£39. 16.
Cocket	3.
Searchers	7.
	£110. 6.
Customs in the S ^t George p ^r D ^o	£149. 10.
Cocket	3.
Searchers	8. 6.
	£150. 1. 6.
Customs in the Europe p ^r D ^o	£29. 15.
Cocket	3.
Searchers	5.
	£30. 3.
Customs in the stringer p ^r D ^o	£60. .
Cocket	3.
Searchers	10. 6.
India Compay Weigher to drink	2. 6.
	£60. 16.
	269. 9. 6.
Customs of 31. 5. in the Garfield Galley for the Straights; for M ^r Sam Sheppard an ind ^o gate Ship	£37. 11.
Cocket & Searchers	5. 6.
	8. 6.
	£38. 2. 6.
Customs in the Carr for M ^o Moro	£15. 17.
Cocket	3.
Searchers	3.
	£16. 3.
Paid M ^r Weaver for the difference in soap Sead	
& sold M ^r Cropp p ^r Jere Hunter; ring delivered him	6. 6.
Adjourned to Tuesday next	£324. 1. 6.

8th November 1709 LLC 3

The weight of the last 2 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	65 lb.	2 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16½ pw
Standard	70 lb.	0 oz	13 pw	4 gr.	value	£155 9s 10d.
Ingot No 2	36 lb.	3 oz	5 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Standard	38 lb.	10 oz	12 pw	9 gr.	value	£337 14s 0d.

22nd November 1709 LLC 3

The treasurer reported he had received off the East India Company in full £1266 12s 7d.

6th December 1709 LLC 3

The weight of the last ingot was reported.

Ingot No 1	70 lb.	6 oz	10 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Standard	75 lb.	3 oz	13 pw	22 gr.	value	£233 8s 10d.

Ordered That the treasurer have credit for £5 7s 6d paid Richard Paine for Carriage of Silver from the 15thg March last to this day and

That the trial of the ore mentioned in William Gibson's and Caleb Bell's letter of the 4th past from the Orkneys is referred to the sub committee.

13th December 1709 LLC 3

Ordered. That the treasurer be credited in the books for 34 12s paid Mr John Haddon for 4 handscrews sent to Anthony Barker and for £13 paid Matthew Palpee for 2 pairs of large refining bellows sent to Anthony Barker £17 12s.

Ordered. Thomas Pattinsons salary be advanced ten pounds a year more and that to commence from Midsummer last.

Ordered. That a warrant be given to the treasurer next Court to pay Mr Enoch Floyd and Mr John Haddon £10 15s each for their pains and trouble in going to Scotland.

Ordered. That Warrants be signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 15s per share for Midsummer last, which was done accordingly and are as follows.

		Shares	£	s	d
Isaac	Ashley	20	15		
Patience	Ashfield	10	7	10	
John	Askew	5	3	15	
Charles	du Bois	20	15		
Samuel	Beachcroft	44	33		
John	Bellers	20	15		
Mary	Bawne	20	15		
Sarah	Bates	10	7	10	
James	Brace	10	7	10	
John	Beighton	15	11	5	

Christopher	Crell	30	22	10
Thomas	Cooper	45	33	15
Elizabeth	Clay	20	15	
Richard	Collett	5	3	15
William	Chambers	4	3	
John	Clarke	5	3	15
Ann	Chokk	5	3	15
John	Cox	5	3	15
Edward	Doyly	25	18	15
Richard	Diamond	10	7	10
Joan	Dant	5	3	15
John	Estaugh	5	3	15
Thomas	Emlin	5	3	15
Enoch	Floyd	40	30	0
Jacob	Franklin	55	41	5
John	Freame	15	11	5
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	7	10
Thomas	Gould	15	11	5
Urban	Hall Esq	50	37	10
John	Haddon	20	15	
Joseph	Heale	10	7	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	10	7	10
Thomas	Hale	5	3	15
Henry	Holloway	15	11	5
Joyce	Issod	5	3	15
Thomas	Kirby	21	15	15
John	Knight	10	7	10
William	Kent	8	6	
Peter	de Lannoy	30	22	10
Edward	Leeds	60	45	0
Thomas	Lee	2	1	10
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	1	10
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	52	10
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	17	5
Nathanael	Matson	60	45	0
Mary	Mason	17	12	15
Thomas	Martin	10	7	10
Lascells	Metcalfe	10	7	10
Gilbert	Molleson	5	3	15
Roger	Newham	8	6	
William	Ockenden	10	7	10
Thomas	Oade	5	3	15
Clement	Plumsted	10	7	10
Mary	Perkins	10	7	10
John	Peirie	5	3	15
Nathanael	Rous	5	3	15

Michael	Russell	6	4	10
John	Rayner	5	3	15
Mary	Stamper	16	12	
William	Smith	10	7	10
Peter	Sadler	10	7	10
Joseph	Saunders	10	7	10
John	Tanner deceased	15	11	5
James	Tonkes	25	18	15
Edward	Wright	44	33	0
Arthur	Woolley	10	7	10
Abell	Wilkinson	<u>60</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>0</u>
	Total	1185	888	15

20th December 1709 LLC 3

Treasurer reported that he had paid Esquire Forster 20 guineas on account of his duty ore at Jeffrey's Grove and Shildon.

Resolved

That a Court be held the 5th day of January next between the hours of two and four of the clock in the afternoon for electing (according to the Charter) a Governor, Deputy Governor, and Ten Assistants for the year ensuing.

Ordered. That the secretary send out a summons accordingly and affix ten days notice on the Exchange thereof which is as followeth.

The Court of Assistants of the Governor & Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal do give notice that according to the appointment of their Charter a Court will be held on the 5th day of January next, at the Ship over against the Monument on Fish Street Hill, from Two till four in the afternoon to receive the votes in writing of the several p[roprietors] of the said Corporation for the Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor, and ten Assistants for the year ensuing.

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for £7 10s for 10 shares in his name as also John Hopkins for £3 15s for 5 shares.

3rd January 1710 LLC 3

Ordered. That the Sub-committee and any other member of this Court that is willing to assist do get the ore tried that came from the Orkneys with all convenient speed & report to this Court their qualities.

5th January 1710 LLC

A General Court

The following persons were unanimously chosen for Governor, Deputy Governor and Assistants for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Esq. Governor	
Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor	
Peter de Lannoy Esq	Mr John Haddon

Dr Edward Wright
Mr Samuel Beachcroft
Mr Samuel Davis
Charles de Bois Esq

Mr Thomas Cooper
Mr Jacob Franklin
Dr Christopher Crell
Mr Edward Leeds

The following warrants were given the treasurer; to Sundry persons for their attendance upon the Court of Assistants from the 6th day of January 1709 to this day inclusive eighty four pounds in the particulars underwritten Viz

Urban Hall Esq	£7 2s 7d
Mr Jacob Floyd	£7 17s 1d
Dr Edward Wright	£9 0s 9d
Mr Thomas Cooper	£8 17s 4d
Mr John Haddon	£7 13s 4d
Peter de Lannoy Esq	£8 10s 9d
Mr Edward Leeds	£5 19s 2d
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	£4 4s 9d
Mr Jacob Franklin	£8 5s 5d
Dr Christopher Crell	£8 7s 3d
Mr Samuel Davis	<u>£8 1s 7d</u>
	<u>£84 0s 0d</u>

To Sundry persons for their attendance upon the Sub-Committee of Trade & Correspondence from the 6th day of January 1709 to the 3rd inst inclusive fifty pounds five shillings in the particulars underwritten.

Dr Edward Wright	£12 9s 9d
Mr John Haddon	£10 1s 0d
Peter de Lannoy Esq	£11 7s 3d
Mr Samuel Davis	£5 17s 3d
Mr Enoch Floyd	<u>£10 9s 9d</u>
	<u>£50 0s 0d</u>

10th January 1710 LLC 3

The weight of the last 2 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	44 lb. 3 oz 10 pw	fine better 15 pw
Standard	47 lb. 3 oz 8 pw	6 gr.
Ingot No 2	74 lb. 3 oz 0 pw	fine better 16 1/2 pw
Standard	79 lb. 9 oz 4 pw	11 gr.
Total weight	127 lb. 0 oz 12 pw 17 gr.	value £393 17s 0d.

21st February 1710 LLC 3

Robert Cooper & Company this day agree by Mr Gomly and Mr Dawson with the Company for 40 tons of Litharge to be delivered as soon as it can be got to London at £10 per ton.

11th April 1710 LLC 3

The weight of the last 2 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	67 lb.	7 oz	10 pw	fine	better	14 1/2 pw
Ingot No 2	38 lb.	0 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Total Standard	112 lb.	9 oz	7 pw	8 gr.	total value	£349 12s 3d.

18th April 1710 LLC 3

The weight of the last 2 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	63 lb.	3 oz	10 pw	fine	better	15 1/2 pw
Ingot No 2	35 lb.	10 oz	5 pw	fine	better	16 1/2 pw
Total Standard	106 lb.	2 oz	15 pw	3 gr.	total value	£329 6s 2d.

25th April 1710 LLC 3

The weight of the last 2 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	58 lb.	7 oz	10 pw	fine	better	15 1/2 pw
Ingot No 2	46 lb.	4 oz	15 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Total Standard	112 lb.	5 oz	9 pw	2 gr.	total value	£348 12s 1d.

30th May 1710 LLC 3

The weight of the last 3 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	73 lb.	8 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 2	64 lb.	6 oz	5 pw	fine	better	17 pw
Total Standard	148 lb.	5 oz	5 pw	0 gr.	total value	£460 3s 1d.
Ingot No 3	32 lb.	9 oz	0 pw	fine	better	15 1/2 pw
Standard	35 lb.	0 oz	8 pw	19 gr.	value	£108 12s 0d

Total value of the 3 ingots £568 15s 1d

Sir Richard Grosvenor being now near of age being to renew some leases to this Company but refuses to do it with the Corporation but desires some of the members would come into those parts in order to execute the said leases in their private capacity.

Resolved

That Mr Enoch Floyd, Dr Edward Wright, Mr John Haddon, and Mr Edward Leeds be desired to go on the 16th day of June next into Wales in order to the getting the said leases executed as soon as possible in their or so many of their names as shall be necessary, for the use and benefit of this Company. And to visit the Company's mines and works there and particularly to inquire into the affaires of part of the coal works offered some time since to this Company. Also into the state and circumstances of the Red Lead mill, lately mentioned by Anthony Barker and to all matters and things relating to this Company's affairs, in as full and ample manner as if this committee were there, and which this Committee agrees to confirm and stand by all intents and purposes whatsoever.

13th June 1710 LLC 3

Warrant to George Westgarth and to John Ativeck £12 10s for freight of 250 pieces of lead from Newcastle.

11th July 1710 LLC 3

Warrant to George Stephenson or order £7 17s 6d for Freight of 54 casks of Litharge from Newcastle.

William Collard appearing at the Board and desiring to be made free of this Company subscribed the declaration in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter, before the Governor in open Court, and thereupon was accordingly admitted a member of the Company.

The Report of the Committee appointed the 30th of May last to visit the Company's works in Wales, to execute new leases with Sir Richard Grosvenor for the use of this Company.

According to order of the Court held the said 30th May last we proceeded to Gadlis where we found all the parts of the Cupola in very great order, and managed with a great deal of frugality and exactness.

The new refining house that has been added since the works were visited, hold six refining furnaces and we think is as completed, in all parts of it as can be desired, likewise the other additions for burning, stamping, grinding, and sifting of Bone Ashes are so well contrived that about a tun of ashes a week may be made at about half the price they formerly cost the Company when sent from hence.

They likewise found a way to reduce the lead that remained in the Bottom of the tests in refining, of which there is a great quantity they having been kept together from the beginning and Anthony Barker says that he can clear ten pounds a week in working of them which is done in the slagge hearth by the addition of black slaggs which occasions the test bottoms to flow or melt and separate the lead that they held. Also in the refining and smelting a great part of the fumes of the lead that lodge themselves in the chimneys which being collected and made up with lime into mortar, they are easily reduced by the slagge hearths into lead, so that the cheapness of the bone ashes, and the reducing the lead in test bottoms & fumes makes the article of refining much more considerable then before, and will make it profitable to refine lead that holds considerably less silver, than that which has been hitherto wrought.

There is a very good stock of Coals, bricks, lime, bones, iron &c., there is likewise a great stock of Litharge, unreduced, a great deal of lead ready to ship, and at the Cupola and Mountain there is reckoned not to be less than sixteen hundred tuns of ore.

We viewed the Red Lead Mill at Holly Well but do not think it worth half the money asked for it, nor at any price to be the interest of the Company to meddle with it, neither do we think it worth the Company's while, considering the small quantity that is vended in a year of Red lead and the encumbrance it will be to meddle with that article in Wales.

We also considered the part of the Colliery that Mr Pennant has offered to part with, and do believe it for the Company's interest to be concerned in it, for many reasons we are ready to offer, but that affair not being ripe enough for our finishing of it, have ordered Anthony Barker to transact the same, the title we take to be good, the Gentlemen very honest and the purchase not extravagant, about one hundred and fifty pounds.

As to Luke Denmans concern we find he had taken a bargain & not complied with the same, appears under his own & his partners hand (ready to be produced) and that he was justly dismissed the Company's service & that for many reasons not a fit person, to be received again.

We made up account with John Wainwright & have settled the same (which we refer to for the particular the balance due to the Company being £275 16s 8d). And considering how uncertain the payments hitherto had been upon that account, we have made a new bargain with him viz, he is to pay seven pounds fifteen shillings a tun of lead, at Bagilt, and to run the Risque & pay the freight to Liverpool paying the same in three months, after delivery at Bagilt aforesaid.

As to the mines near Salop that lately belonged to Alex Jennings we understand that there has been got about five hundred weight of ore, but not drawn up, and Anthony Barkers opinion is that they are not worthy the Company's notice.

As to the mines in the county of Flint the one in Mr Hughe's ground and the other in Mr Pennants that we were to inquire into, we find that neither of them are of any value or fit for the Company to meddle with, nor indeed have they any occasion to go out of Sir Richard Grosvenor's liberty to venture their money, since he has granted such large and good liberty's to the Company to employ it in.

We were three days at Eaton, Sir Richard Grosvenor's seat, where we were very civilly entertained and the six following leases were granted to Enoch Floyd and Edward Wright for twenty one years commencing _____ and for performing the covenants of each a bond of _____ pounds was executed by the said Enoch Floyd and Edward Wright likewise a bond of one thousand pounds for the washing up and payment of the farm of ore left on the Mountain, in or before the _____ of next which leases the said Enoch Floyd and Edward Wright are ready to assign to this Company on the receiving of Counter bonds from the Company for saving harmless the said Enoch Floyd and Edward Wright.

We must refer to the leases and maps affixed to them for particulars of the mines and farms to be paid for the several ores the covenants are the same with the former leases only with this additional one, that in case of non payment of farm according to the covenant Sir Richard has the power to the enter, which was not in the other, nor did we think it unreasonable in these.

The old lease made by Sir Thomas Grosvenor and Esquire Cholmondly must be surrendered and cancelled which we desire the order of the Court.

And lastly we have considered the good state of the works in general as well as the particular satisfaction, we hope the Court will receive, by the execution of these new grants, and by whose industry and care matter are brought to this pass, we cannot but give it as our opinion, that Anthony Barkers salary ought to be augmented to one hundred pounds per annum, especially considering, the salary of other servants, whose care and expense, bears no proportion to his, which we submit to the Court.

Enoch Floyd, Edward Wright, Edward Leeds, John Haddon

Ordered. That the old leases granted by Sir Thomas Grosvenor and Esq Cholmondly be looked out and sent back to Wales to be cancelled.

Resolved

That Anthony Barker's salary be augmented to one hundred pounds per annum, to commence from Midsummer last.

8th August 1710 LLC 3

Ordered. That those members of this Company that have shares in their names that belong to the Company do transfer them to Francis Robinson and John Clark, in trust for the Company to be disposed of as this Court shall from time to time direct, and that the Secretary do debt an account of the shares in the Company's books for £50 per share ordered to be paid on all the shares of this Company.

And that the several members that transfer the said shares have credit for the said fifty pounds per share in their accounts that have been debited for the same.

Ordered. That it be reported next Court the number of shares each person transfers as above.

Ordered. That Warrants be signed & given the treasurer for a dividend of fifteen shillings per share for Christmas last which was done accordingly and are as followeth.

		Shares	£	s	d
Isaac	Ashley	20	15		
Patience	Ashfield	10	7	10	
John	Askew	5	3	15	
Charles	du Bois	20	15		
Samuel	Beachcroft	44	33		
John	Bellers	20	15		
Mary	Bawne	20	15		
Sarah	Bates	10	7	10	
James	Brace	10	7	10	
John	Beighton	20	15	0	
Thomas	Boddington	13	9	15	
Christopher	Crell	30	22	10	
Thomas	Cooper	45	33	15	
Elizabeth	Clay	20	15		
Richard	Collett	5	3	15	
William	Chambers	4	3		
John	Clarke	5	3	15	
Ann	Chokke	5	3	15	
John	Cox	5	3	15	
Edward	Doyly	20	15	0	
Richard	Diamond	10	7	10	
Joan	Dant	5	3	15	
John	Estaugh	5	3	15	
Thomas	Emlin	5	3	15	
Enoch	Floyd	35	26	5	

Jacob	Franklin deceased	45	33	15
John	Freame	15	11	5
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	7	10
Thomas	Gould	15	11	5
Urban	Hall Esq	40	30	0
John	Haddon	20	15	
Joseph	Heale	10	7	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	10	7	10
Thomas	Hale	5	3	15
Henry	Holloway	15	11	5
John	Holloway	10	7	10
Humphrey	Hill	20	15	0
Peter	Higginson	10	7	10
Joyce	Issod	5	3	15
Thomas	Kirby	21	15	15
John	Knight	10	7	10
Peter	de Lannoy	20	15	0
Edward	Leeds	60	45	0
Thomas	Lee	2	1	10
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	1	10
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	52	10
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	17	5
Nathanael	Matson	60	45	0
Mary	Mason	17	12	15
Thomas	Martin	10	7	10
Lascells	Metcalf	10	7	10
Gilbert	Molleson	5	3	15
Roger	Newham	8	6	
William	Ockenden	10	7	10
Thomas	Oade	5	3	15
Clement	Plumsted	10	7	10
Mary	Perkins	10	7	10
John	Peirie	5	3	15
Nathanael	Rous	5	3	15
Michael	Russell	6	4	10
John	Rayner	5	3	15
Mary	Stamper	16	12	
William	Smith	10	7	10
Joseph	Saunders	10	7	10
John	Tanner deceased	15	11	5
James	Tonkes	25	18	15
Edward	Wright	44	33	0
Arthur	Woolley	10	7	10
Abell	Wilkinson	<u>60</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>0</u>
	Total	1185	888	15

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for £7 10s for ten shares in his name as also John Hopkins for £3 15s for five shares in his name.

22nd August 1710 LLC 13

Warrant to pay Thomas Thornton, John Alnwick, and Edward Goodwin £36 13s 4d for freight of 800 pieces of lead from Newcastle.

One to Francis Robinson £15 for half a years salary due 7th June last

Charles Savidge appearing at the Board desiring to treat with the Company about the conveyance of lead &c. from Leachlade to London and accordingly the Court made the following agreement with him Viz.

Memorandum

That the above mentioned Charles Savidge for himself and partners have agreed with the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal, to receive at Leachlade and convey to London, ten great pigs of lead of the usual weight or twenty small pigs of lead, of the usual size, the said Company's lead hath been of the said Gov. & Co. paying the said Charles Savidge and partners sixteen shillings for every ten great pigs and for every 20 small pigs, that are delivered in London, and so for a greater or lesser quantity which the Company shall have occasion to convey during the time of twelve months from the 29th September next, the said Charles Savidge and partners dispatching the said lead for London to the satisfaction of the Company from time to time.

Charles Savidge.

29th August 1710 LLC 3

Warrant to the Lord Barnard or order £1000 in discharge of Charles Alsopps 4 bills of the 15th inst.

One to John Garbut or order £11 9s 2d for freight of 250 pieces of lead from Newcastle

12th September 1710 LLC 3

Warrant to John Watson & Robert Boulby for £25 for freight of 500 pieces of lead from Newcastle

26th September 1710 LLC 3

The weight of the last 4 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	60 lb. 2 oz	5 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Ingot No 2	45 lb. 7 oz	0 pw	fine	better	13 1/2 pw
Total Standard	112 lb. 7 oz	6 pw	6 gr.	value	£349 1s 8d.
Ingot No 3	70 lb. 5 oz	0 pw	fine	better	13 pw
Ingot No 4	36 lb. 2 oz	10 pw	fine	better	13 1/2 pw
Total Standard	112 lb. 11 oz	8 pw	2 gr.	value	£350 2s 10d.

Total value of the 4 ingots £679 4s 6d.

3rd October 1710 LLC 3

Warrant to Thomas Dearing, Thomas Dale and John Frost £24 10s for freight of 340 pieces of lead and eighty casks of Litharge from Newcastle.

The weight of the last 2 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	53 lb. 6 oz	10 pw	fine	better	14 pw
Ingot No 2	62 lb. 11 oz	15 pw	fine	better	14 pw
Total Standard	123 lb. 10 oz	8 pw	14 gr.	total value	£383 9s 8d.

10th October 1710 LLC 3

Warrant to Robert Boulby or order for £12 10s for freight of 250 pieces of lead from Newcastle.

One to Jeremiah Hunter for £200 in discharge of Charles Alsopp's two bills of the 29th past.

31st October 1710 LLC 3

Peter Higginson appearing at the board desiring to be made free of the Company took the oaths appointed by the Charter, before the Governor in open Court and was thereupon accordingly admitted member of the Company.

The weight of the last 2 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	68 lb. 1 oz	15 pw	fine	better	15 1/2 pw
Ingot No 2	35 lb. 5 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Total Standard	110 lb. 10 oz	9 pw	12 gr.	total value	£343 13s 11d

21st November 1710 LLC 3

The weight of the last 2 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	62 lb. 4 oz	15 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 2	35 lb. 4 oz	10 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Total Standard	104 lb. 7 oz	19 pw	0 gr.	total value	£324 9s 0d.

5th January 1711 LLC 3

The following persons were unanimously chosen for Governor, Deputy Governor, and Assistants for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Esq.	Governor
Mr Enoch Floyd	Deputy Governor
Peter de Lannoy Esq	Mr John Haddon
Dr Edward Wright	Mr Thomas Cooper
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	Dr Christopher Crell
Mr Samuel Davis	Mr Edward Leeds
Charles de Bois Esq	Mr Nathaniel Matson

Humphrey Hill appearing at the board, and desiring to be made free of this Company, took the oaths appointed by the Charter, before the Governor in open Court, and was thereupon admitted a member of this Company.

16th January 1711 LLC 3

A General Court.

The Court of Assistants having laid before the Court several reasons for enlarging the stock of this Corporation their works and trade being considerably increased the following resolutions was agreed unto Nemine Contradicente; Viz.

Resolved 1st

That five pounds per share be advanced and paid on every share in the joint stock of this corporation to the treasurer, in the manner following Viz.

Fifty shillings on or before the 16th day of April next and fifty shillings on or before the 14th day of May next after, and that every member that shall neglect to pay either or both of the said payments at the time or times aforesaid shall forfeit and pay sixpence per month for every share so neglected to be paid upon until the same shall be paid.

Resolved 2dly

That every member that shall pay at the times aforesaid fifty shillings on each share shall for the first payment be allowed fifteen shillings per share as dividend due the 24th June 1710 & for the 2nd payment fifteen shillings per share as a dividend due on each share the 25th December 1710

Resolved 3dly

That every member that shall pay fifty shillings per share being the first payment on or before the 6th day of February next shall be allowed ten shillings per share for prompt payment, besides the dividend of 15 shillings per share due the 25th June 1710.

Resolved 4ly

That every member that shall pay fifty shillings per share being the second payment on or before the 13th day of March next shall be allowed ten shillings per share for prompt payment, besides the dividend of 15 shillings per share due the 25th December 1710.

Resolved 5thly

That every member that shall pay in their two payments on or before the 6th day of February next shall be allowed to pay the same in exchequer notes with interest for the same at six per cent to the said 6th day of February

Resolved 6thly

That from the 25th December 1710 twenty shillings per share shall be divided half yearly upon every share of the Joint Stock of this Corporation.

23rd January 1711 LLC 3

The following Warrants were given the treasurer Viz.

To sundry persons for the attendance upon the Court of Assistants from the 10th day of January 1710 to the 5th instant, inclusive; eighty one pounds in the particulars underwritten.

Urban Hall Esq	£8 14s 0½d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£9 18s 11½d
Peter de Lannoy Esq	£9 11s 1½d
Dr Edward Wright	£9 17s 9½d
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	9s 9½d
Mr Samuel Davis	£4 16s 3½d
Mr John Haddon	£9 5s 4d
Mr Thomas Cooper	£10 15s 1½d

Mr Jacob Franklin	£1 9s 1½d
Dr Christopher Crell	£10 11s 10½d
Mr Edward Leeds	<u>£5 10s 6½d</u>
	<u>£81 0s 0d</u>

To sundry persons for the attendance upon the Sub-committee of Trade and Correspondence from 10th January 1710 to the 2nd instant inclusive, forty two pounds fifteen shillings in the particulars underwritten.

Dr Edward Wright	£10 12s 0d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£10 12s 0d
Mr Samuel Davis	£1 3s 3d
Mr John Haddon	£9 18s 3d
Peter de Lannoy Esq.	<u>£10 9s 6d</u>
	<u>£42 15s 0d</u>

The weight of the last 2 ingots was reported

Ingot No 1	66 lb. 7 oz 5 pw	fine better 16 pw
Ingot No 2	44 lb. 2 oz 0 pw	fine better 15 pw
Total Standard	118 lb. 6 oz 13 pw	7 gr. total value £367 10s 7d.

6th February 1711 LLC 3

The weight of the last 2 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	63 lb. 6 oz 10 pw	fine better 15½ pw
Ingot No 2	45 lb. 7 oz 0 pw	fine better 15½ pw
Total Standard	116 lb. 8 oz 18 pw	13 gr. total value £361 17s 10d.

13th February 1711 LLC 13

The treasurer reported that he had received £14 19s 5½d being the balance due from the Ryton Company.

3rd April 1711 LLC 3

The weight of the last 3 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	49 lb. 10 oz 15 pw	fine better 14½ pw
Ingot No 2	46 lb. 7 oz 5 pw	fine better 14½ pw
Ingot No 3	53 lb. 4 oz 10 pw	fine better 14½ pw
Total Standard	157 lb. 7 oz 11 pw	9 gr. total value £494 19s 0d.

24th April 1711 LLC 3

A warrant was given the treasurer to pay the Clothworkers porters £32 3s in full for landing & shipping lead &c. to the 13th February last.

The treasurer reported that he had paid Sir Richard Grosvenor £100 being advanced on this quarters farm.

15th May 1711 LLC 3

The treasurer reported that he had paid Sir Richard Grosvenor on account of farm ore £150. And he had paid Thomas Forster Esq on account of duty ore £21 10s.

22nd May 1711 LLC 3

Resolved

That if John Rawlins will refer the matter of difference between the Company and him to so many and such men as the Sub-committee or any two of them shall think fit the sub-committee or any two of them are hereby authorised and empowered to do therein as they shall think fit and this company will be obliged and determined thereby as fully and to all intents & purposes as if the same were done in and by the Court of Assistants of this Corporation.

3rd July 1711 LLC 3

The Deputy Governor & Mr John Haddon having been at Leachlade and Gloucester (*Lechlade, Gloucester*) according to the desire of the committee, reported that they had made a full inquiry into the manner of conveying lead from thence to London, and do find that John Sexty Junior, is as likely a person to serve the Company in that affair as any one and that they had engaged him to give the Company's lead all the dispatch imaginable from time to time. The weight of the last 4 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	59 lb.	0 oz	0 pw	fine	better	13½ pw
Ingot No 2	66 lb.	15 oz	0 pw	fine	better	15½ pw
Total Standard	124 lb.	6 oz	2 pw	16 gr.	value	£385 19s 6d.
Ingot No 3	51 lb.	1 oz	15 pw	fine	better	14 pw
Ingot No 4	72 lb.	6 oz	10 pw	fine	better	13½ pw
Total Standard	131 lb.	3 oz	17 pw	19 gr.	value	£407 2s 0d.

Total value of the 4 ingots £793 1s 6d.

10th July 1711 LLC 3

The weight of the last 3 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	63 lb.	10 oz	10 pw	fine	better	14 pw
Ingot No 2	65 lb.	0 oz	10 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Ingot No 3	44 lb.	1 oz	10 pw	fine	better	15½ pw
Total Standard	184 lb.	6 oz	10 pw	21 gr.	total value	£572 1s 7d.

31st July 1711 LLC 3

The treasurer reported that he had paid Richard Payne £10 1s in full for carriage of silver &c. Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20 shillings per share to the several proprietors for Midsummer last and is as followeth Viz.

		Shares	£	s	d
Patience	Ashfield	10	10		
Isaac	Ashley	20	20		
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		

Samuel	Beachcroft	44	44
John	Bellers	20	20
Mary	Bawne	20	20
Sarah	Bates	10	10
James	Brace	10	10
John	Beighton	25	25
Thomas	Boddington	13	13
Christopher	Crell deceased	30	30
Thomas	Cooper	35	35
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20
Richard	Collett	5	5
William	Chambers	4	4
John	Clarke	5	5
Ann	Chokk	5	5
John	Cox	5	5
William	Collard	6	6
Edward	Doyley	20	20
Richard	Diamond	10	10
Joan	Dant	25	25
Thomas	Emlin	5	5
John	Estaugh	5	5
Enoch	Floyd	30	30
Jacob	Franklin deceased	45	45
John	Freame	15	15
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10
Thomas	Gould	15	15
Urban	Hall Esq	45	45
John	Haddon	20	20
Joseph	Heale	10	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	10	10
Thomas	Hale	5	5
Henry	Holloway	15	15
John	Holloway	10	10
Humphrey	Hill	20	20
Peter	Higginson	10	10
Joyce	Issod	5	5
Thomas	Kirby	21	21
John	Knight	10	10
Peter	de Lannoy	10	10
Edward	Leeds	60	60
Thomas	Lee deceased	2	2
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	2
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	23
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Mary	Mason	17	17

Thomas	Martin	10	10
Lascells	Metcalfe	10	10
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
Roger	Newham	8	8
William	Ockenden	10	10
Thomas	Oade	5	5
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5
Richard	Parks	5	5
Nathanael	Rous	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6
John	Rayner	5	5
Mary	Stamper	10	10
William	Smith	10	10
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner deceased	15	15
James	Tonkes	25	25
Edward	Wright	39	39
Arthur	Woolley	10	10
Abell	Wilkinson	50	50
Thomas	Walsh	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
	Total	1185	1185

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

14th August 1711 LLC 3

Warrant given to the treasurer to pay Samuel Kellet, James Bull, Wm Rogers, John Linton, Thomas Goddle, Thomas Ward, Joshua Sollet & John Baxter £87 14s 2d, for freight of 2105 pieces of lead from Newcastle.

28th August 1711 LLC 3

Paid Robert Baden for 3 iron plates sent to Newcastle	£20	14	4
Paid Matthew Palfree for 1 pair of Bellows sent to Newcastle	£6	5	0
Paid for Crucibles, salt peter and Tartar sent to Newcastle	£1	4	6
Paid Wm Parker for Cooperage of Litharge	<u>£1</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>
	<u>£29</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>8</u>

4th September 1711 LLC 3

Paid Richard Chapman, Joseph Carter, John Fish, & John Chamberlain £47 10s for freight of 1140 pieces of lead from Newcastle.

2nd October 1711 LLC 4

Paid Thomas Ward £8 9s for the freight of 79 casks of litharge from Newcastle.

30th October 1711 LLC 4

The following warrants were given the treasurer, one to Jeremiah Hunter or order £200 in discharge of Charles Alsopps 2 bills of the 19th inst.

One to Richard Sedgfield for £15 for freight of 300 pieces of lead from Newcastle.

4th December 1711 LLC 4

Warrant given to the treasurer, One to John Wood £10 and to Lawrence Olson £15 in all £25 for freight of 500 pieces of lead from Newcastle.

Ordered. That the treasurer have credit for Customs &c. of 100 pieces of Newcastle lead shipped in the Phoenix on account of Urban Hall Esq. and that he be made debtor for the same.

Customs	£7 1s 6d
Cocket	3s 0d
The searchers fees	<u>1s 6d</u>
	<u>£7 6s 0d</u>

25th December 1711 LLC 4

The following warrants were given the Treasurer.

One to Joseph Muniman £5 and to George Hewbanks £10 in all £15 for freight of 300 pieces of lead from Newcastle.

One to repay himself £310 which he paid Robert Pigot &c. on account of Sir Richard Grosvenor's Farm ore.

1st January 1712 LLC 4

Mr Joseph Grove appearing at the board and desiring to be made free of this Company subscribed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in Open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

8th January 1712 LLC 4

The following Warrants were given the Treasurer Viz.

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 9th Day of January 1711 to this 8th day January inclusive the sum of seventy nine pounds ten shillings.

Urban Hall Esq	£9 8s 7d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£12 16s 2d
Mr Edward Leeds	£6 13s 10d
Dr Edward Wright	£13 5s 7d
Peter De Lannoy Esq	£9 2s 5d
Mr John Haddon	£13 0s 3d
Mr Thomas Cooper	£13 5s 7d
Mr Samuel Davis	£1 10s 7d
Dr Christopher Crell deceased	<u>£0 7s 0d</u>
	<u>£79 10s 0d</u>

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Sub-committee from the 9th Day of January 1711 to this 8th day January inclusive the sum of forty five pounds fifteen shillings.

Dr Edward Wright	£12 13s 9d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£12 1s 3d
Mr John Haddon	£12 6s 3d
Peter De Lannoy Esq	<u>£8 13s 9d</u>
	<u>£45 15s 0d</u>

8th January 1712 LLC 4

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants
The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Charles Du Bois	Mr Edward Leeds
Mr Thomas Cooper	Mr John Haddon
Dr Edward Wright	Mr Samuel Beachcroft
Mr Joseph Grove	Mr Joseph Heale
Mr Humphrey Hill	Mr Nathaniel Matson

29th January 1712 LLC 4

The following warrants were given the treasurer.

One to Jeremiah Hunter or order £100 in discharge of Charles Alsopps bill of the 18th inst.

One to the Cloth workers porters £28 14s for landing & shipping lead &c.

Ordered. That Mr Enoch Floyd, Mr John Haddon & Dr Edward Wright do wait on the Lord Barnard to treat with him about his ore (or any two of them)

5th February 1712 LLC 4

That the common seal of this corporation be affixed to the counterpart of John Doubleday's lease of Shildon mine which he executed long since dated the 29th of October 1708.

Mr Enoch Floyd, Mr John Haddon, and Dr Edward Wright, reported that according to an order of the 29th past they had waited upon the Lord Barnard to treat with him about his ore, who received them very frankly, but as yet would make no price, and that he was very willing to deal with them, and that they should not only have the refusal but should have it cheaper than any body else.

26th February 1712 LLC 4

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s per share to the several proprietors for Christmas last.

		Shares	£	s	d
Patience	Ashfield	10	10		
Isaac	Ashley	20	20		
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	44	44		
John	Bellers	20	20		

Mary	Bawne	20	20
Sarah	Bates	10	10
John	Beighton	25	25
Thomas	Boddington	13	13
Christopher	Crell deceased	30	30
Thomas	Cooper	35	35
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20
Richard	Collett	5	5
William	Chambers	4	4
John	Clarke	5	5
Ann	Chokk	5	5
John	Cox	5	5
William	Collard	6	6
Ann	Cox	5	5
Edward	Doyley	20	20
Richard	Diamond	10	10
Joan	Dant	25	25
Thomas	Emlin	5	5
Enoch	Floyd	30	30
John	Freame	15	15
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10
Thomas	Gould	15	15
Joseph	Grove	45	45
Urban	Hall Esq	25	25
John	Haddon	25	25
Joseph	Heale	10	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	10	10
Thomas	Hale	5	5
Henry	Holloway	15	15
John	Holloway	10	10
Humphrey	Hill	20	20
Peter	Higginson	10	10
Joyce	Issod	5	5
Thomas	Kirby	21	21
John	Knight	10	10
Edward	Leeds	60	60
Thomas	Lee deceased	2	2
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	2
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	23
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Mary	Mason	17	17
Thomas	Martin	10	10
Lascells	Metcalf	20	20
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
Roger	Newham	8	8

William	Ockenden	25	25
Thomas	Oade	5	5
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5
Richard	Parks	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6
John	Rayner	5	5
Mary	Stamper	10	10
William	Smith	10	10
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Sheffield	5	5
John	Tanner deceased	15	15
James	Tonkes	25	25
Edward	Wright	39	39
Arthur	Woolley	10	10
Abell	Wilkinson	50	50
Thomas	Walsh	5	5
James	Brace	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>
	Total	<u>1185</u>	<u>£1185</u>

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

25th March 1712 LLC 4

Dr Edward Wright &c. reported that they had waited on the Lord Barnard and he was inclined to sell but 500 Bings of his ore for which he asked 30/- per Bing and we offered 28/- per Bing for 500 Bings and 6d per Bing more for all the rest upon every 5s lead should rise for trade price.

6th May 1712 LLC 4

Richard Eames appearing at the board and desiring to be made free of the Company took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and was thereupon admitted a member of this Company accordingly.

The Trear

Reported that he had recd from
Cha Harford two bills viz
 Ric^d. Mestyn's bill on Jos Ashton - £50
 57¹ 18¹ 10 The Edwards' bill on Anth^d Barker - £7¹ 18¹ 10
 £ 57¹ 18¹ 10

also that he had sent to *Cha Harford*
 16¹ 14¹ - W^m Harrison's bill on In^o Beacher £16¹ 14¹ -

And that he had sent to *Anth^d Barker*
 The Edwards' bill on a Barker - £7¹ 18¹ 10
 and a note of Tho Kirbys hand - £18¹ 15¹ -
 26¹ 13¹ 10 £ 26¹ 13¹ 10

The following Warrants were given the Trear viz
 one to repay himself - £92¹ 10¹
 for sundry things sent to Scotland & New Castle viz
 Sent to Scotland, 2 Searwells - £10¹ -
 20¹ Bush¹/₂ Bone ashes - £28¹ 1¹ -
 1 pr Large Bellows & packing - £6¹ 12¹ 6
 3 Wire Sieves - £13¹ 13¹ 6
 Cartage - £7¹ 12¹ 8
 80 Casks - £7¹ 6¹ 8
 53¹ 5¹ 8 £ 53¹ 5¹ 8

Sent to New Castle 21¹/₂ Bush¹/₂ Bone ashes - £29¹ 9¹ -
 Cartage - £12¹ -
 100 Casks - £9¹ 3¹ 4
 39¹ 4¹ 4 £ 39¹ 4¹ 4

£40 - 1 to John Piersey or ord^r
 in discharge of *Cha Alsopp's* bill of £40¹ -
 Adjourn'd to the Usual time.

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10th June 1712 LLC 4

The weight of the last 7 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	70 lb. 9 oz	0 pw	fine	better	14 pw
Ingot No 2	64 lb. 6 oz	0 pw	fine	better	17 1/2 pw
Ingot No 3	32 lb. 8 oz	10 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Total Standard	179 lb. 10 oz	6 pw	20 gr.	total value	£557 11s 2d.
Ingot No 1	60 lb. 6 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 2	60 lb. 6 oz	15 pw	fine	better	17 pw
Ingot No 3	50 lb. 2 oz	10 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Ingot No 4	33 lb. 10 oz	10 pw	fine	better	14 1/2 pw
Total Standard	208 lb. 11 oz	15 pw	22 gr.	total value	£647 16s 8d.
Total value of the 7 ingots £1205 7s 10d.					

17th June 1712 LLC 4

A warrant was given the treasurer to pay Richard Mighills, James Luddell, & John Fisher £27 1s 8d it being for freight of 650 pieces of lead from Newcastle.

8th July 1712 LLC 4

A warrant was given the treasurer to pay sundry persons £56 5s for freight of 1350 pieces of lead from Newcastle.

29th July 1712 LLC 4

Mr John Tatnal appearing at the board and desiring to be made free of the Company took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and was thereupon admitted a member of this Company accordingly.

Ordered. That the treasurer have credit for Customs &c. of 100 pieces of Newcastle lead shipped in the Phoenix on account of Urban Hall Esq. and that he be made debtor for the same.

Customs	£7 1s 0d
Cocket	3s 0d
The searchers fees	<u>2s 6d</u>
	<u>£7 6s 9d</u>

12th August 1712 LLC 4

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s per share to the several proprietors for midsummer last.

		Shares	£	s	d
Isaac	Ashley	20	20		
Patience	Ashfield	10	10		
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	44	44		
John	Bellers	15	15		
Mary	Bawne	20	20		
Sarah	Bates	5	5		
James	Brace	10	10		
John	Beighton	30	30		
Thomas	Boddington	13	13		
Christopher	Crell deceased	30	30		
Thomas	Cooper	35	35		
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20		
Richard	Collett	5	5		
William	Chambers	4	4		
John	Clarke	5	5		
Ann	Chokk	5	5		
John	Cox	5	5		
William	Collard	6	6		
Ann	Cox	5	5		
Edward	Doyley deceased	5	5		
Richard	Diamond	10	10		
Joan	Dant	25	25		
Thomas	Emlin	5	5		
Richard	Eames	15	15		

Enoch	Floyd	30	30
John	Freame	15	15
Beatrice	Fisher	5	5
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10
Thomas	Gould	15	15
Joseph	Grove	45	45
Urban	Hall Esq	25	25
John	Haddon	25	25
Joseph	Heale	10	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	10	10
Thomas	Hale	5	5
Henry	Holloway	15	15
John	Holloway	10	10
Humphrey	Hill	20	20
Peter	Higginson	10	10
Joyce	Issod	5	5
Thomas	Kirby	21	21
John	Knight	10	10
Edward	Leeds	60	60
Thomas	Lee deceased	2	2
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	2
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	23
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Mary	Mason	17	17
Thomas	Martin	10	10
Lascells	Metcalf	20	20
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
Roger	Newham	8	8
William	Ockenden	25	25
Thomas	Oade	5	5
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5
Richard	Parks	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6
John	Rayner	5	5
Mary	Stamper	10	10
William	Smith	10	10
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner deceased	15	15
James	Tonkes	15	15
John	Tatnel	5	5
Edward	Wright	39	39
Arthur	Woolley	20	20
Abell	Wilkinson	50	50

Thomas	Walsh	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
	Total	<u>1185</u>	<u>1185</u>

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

Warrant to pay Robert Pearson & Henry Simpson £7 12s 3d for freight of 203 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 9d per piece.

26th August 1712 LLC 4

The weight of the last 7 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	55 lb.	11 oz	0 pw	fine	better	14 1/2 pw
Ingot No 2	53 lb.	2 oz	10 pw	fine	better	15 1/2 pw
Ingot No 3	52 lb.	11 oz	0 pw	fine	better	15 1/2 pw
Ingot No 4	64 lb.	3 oz	10 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Ingot No 5	51 lb.	4 oz	10 pw	fine	better	14 pw
Ingot No 6	55 lb.	0 oz	10 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 7	55 lb.	3 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Total Standard	414 lb. 6 oz		12 pw	2 gr.	total value £1285 2s 0d.	

2nd September 1712 LLC 4

The weight of the last 9 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	65 lb.	7 oz	10 pw	fine	better	15 1/2 pw
Ingot No 2	43 lb.	3 oz	10 pw	fine	better	17 pw
Ingot No 3	43 lb.	4 oz	5 pw	fine	better	16 1/2 pw
Total Standard		163 lb.	4 oz	13 pw	15 gr.	
Ingot No 1	66 lb.	1 oz	15 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 2	66 lb.	11 oz	0 pw	fine	better	15 1/2 pw
Ingot No 3	50 lb.	5 oz	15 pw	fine	better	14 1/2 pw
Ingot No 4	44 lb.	2 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 5	43 lb.	9 oz	10 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 6	51 lb.	5 oz	15 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Total Standard		339 lb.	4 oz	3 pw	3 gr.	
Total value of the 9 ingots £1558 9s 5d.						

16th September 1712 LLC 4

Joseph Bland appeared at the board and offered to serve the Company in Scotland. Ordered. That he attend the Sub-committee next Court day for them to discourse him further concerning it.

30th September 1712 LLC 4

The sub-committee reported that Joseph Bland accepted their proposals. Vi. To have forty pounds per annum to keep himself and horse and to have five pounds allowed him to bear his charges, and one quarter salary advanced him, to buy the said horse &c. to which the Court

agreed. Ordered. That his articles be drawn up and a bond for his father and himself to sign for his security.

7th October 1712 LLC 4

A warrant was given the treasurer for £15 to pay Joseph Bland £10 of it being advanced to him for one quarter salary due to him at Xmas next and £5 allowed him to bear his charges at Wanlockhead.

The articles of agreement between Joseph Bland and the Company were drawn up, whereby he is to have forty pounds per annum to maintain himself and horse for four years.

Ordered. That the Common seal be affixed thereto.

Ann Cox appearing at the board and desiring to be made free of the Company signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and was thereupon admitted a member of this Company accordingly.

14th October 1712 LLC 4

The following instructions were given to Joseph Bland.

He is to repair to the Company's works at Wanlockhead in Scotland without delay and on his arrival there, to take his abode with William Lee in the house belonging to the Company and to provide for himself or agree with William Lee to provide for him, which he thinks best.

He is to acquaint the Company of his arrival adding what else William Lee shall desire him and so continue weekly advising the Company of what offers in their affairs there.

He is to consult with William Lee from time to time about the said affairs, and to act therein the best he can for the Company's advantage, and from time to time execute such orders as he shall receive from them always taking care to answer their letters, as fully intelligibly and plainly as he can, at all times keeping the Company secrets doing nothing to their discredit, or disadvantage and to cultivate a good understanding between himself William Lee and all the others the Company may have to do with. He is to keep copies of his letters in a book kept for that purpose, and to enter the accounts in proper books, which at all times may appear, and to take sufficient discharges in a proper book of all money's paid for the Company, and to do all things faithfully and diligently as becomes an honest careful servant.

25th November 1712 LLC 4

Warrant to pay William Wingell or order £2 9s 2d for freight of 59 pieces of lead a Newcastle at 10d per piece.

The Chairman of the sub-committee reported that they had agreed With Samuel Bell the master of the ship Humber to bring 200 great pieces of lead from Liverpool to London at three shillings per piece the said lead to be carried at the Company's charge to the ship side the said Bell has signed a memorandum for performing the same.

9th December 1712 LLC 4

The weight of the last 4 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	40 lb.	2 oz	5 pw	fine	better	17 pw
Ingot No 2	75 lb.	0 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16 1/2 pw
Ingot No 3	66 lb.	3 oz	15 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 4	59 lb.	7 oz	0 pw	fine	better	17 1/2 pw

Total Standard 259 lb. 2 oz 10 pw 17 gr.
The total value of the 4 ingots £803 10s 11d

6th January 1713 LLC 4

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants
The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Charles Du Bois	Mr Edward Leeds
Mr Thomas Cooper	Mr John Haddon
Dr Edward Wright	Mr Samuel Beachcroft
Mr Joseph Grove	Mr Joseph Heale
Mr Humphrey Hill	Mr Nathaniel Matson

13th January 1713 LLC 4

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 15th Day of January 1712 to 6th day January 1713 inclusive the sum of seventy nine pounds ten shillings.

Urban Hall Esq	£8 9s 1d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£11 13s 10d
Mr Thomas Cooper	£11 1s 4d
Dr Edward Wright	£11 10s 7d
Mr Joseph Grove	£6 10s 1d
Mr Humphrey Hill	£10 10s 4d
Mr Edward Leeds	£5 16s 4d
Mr John Haddon	£11 13s 10d
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	£0 10s 10d
Mr Joseph Heale	<u>£0 3s 9d</u>
	<u>£78 0s 0d</u>

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Sub-committee from the 15th Day of January 1712 to this 6th day January 1713 inclusive the sum of forty five pounds fifteen shillings.

Mr Enoch Floyd	£12 5s 6d
Dr Edward Wright	£12 5s 6d

Mr John Haddon	£12 5s 6d
Mr Edward Leeds	£4 16s 9d
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	<u>£0 6s 9d</u>
	<u>£42 0s 0d</u>

20th January 1713 LLC 4

The following warrants were given the treasurer.

1 to the Cloth workers porters for £10 10s for landing & shipping lead .

1 to John Franklin for £4 16s 8d for freight of 116 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 10d per piece.

27th January 1713 LLC 4

The weight of the last 3 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	52 lb.	4 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 2	65 lb.	9 oz	15 pw	fine	better	17 1/2 pw
Ingot No 3	72 lb.	1 oz	15 pw	fine	better	16 1/2 pw
Total Standard	204 lb.	7 oz	7 pw	6 gr.	total value £634 5s 11d.	

17th February 1713 LLC 4

Warrants to pay the dividend of 20/- per share were signed.

		Shares	£	s	d
Isaac	Ashley	20	20		
Patience	Ashfield	10	10		
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	44	44		
John	Bellers	5	5		
Mary	Bawne	20	20		
James	Brace	10	10		
John	Beighton	45	45		
Thomas	Boddington	13	13		
Christopher	Crell deceased	30	30		
Thomas	Cooper	35	35		
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20		
Richard	Collett	5	5		
William	Chambers	4	4		
John	Clarke	5	5		
Ann	Chokk	5	5		
John	Cox	5	5		
William	Collard	6	6		
Edward	Doyley deceased	5	5		
Richard	Diamond	10	10		
Joan	Dant	25	25		
Thomas	Emlin	5	5		
Richard	Eames	15	15		
Enoch	Floyd	30	30		
John	Freame	15	15		
Beatrice	Fisher	10	10		
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10		
Thomas	Gould	15	15		
Joseph	Grove	50	50		
Urban	Hall Esq	25	25		
John	Haddon	25	25		
Joseph	Heale	10	10		
Benjamin	Hopkins	5	5		
Thomas	Hale	5	5		
Henry	Holloway	15	15		

John	Holloway	10	10
Humphrey	Hill	20	20
Peter	Higginson	10	10
Joyce	Issod	10	10
Thomas	Kirby	21	21
John	Knight	10	10
Edward	Leeds	55	55
Thomas	Lee deceased	2	2
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	2
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	23
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Mary	Mason	37	37
Thomas	Martin	10	10
Lascells	Metcalf	20	20
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
Roger	Newham	8	8
William	Ockenden	25	25
Thomas	Oade	5	5
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5
Richard	Parks	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6
John	Rayner	5	5
Mary	Stamper	10	10
William	Smith	10	10
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner deceased	15	15
James	Tonkes	25	25
John	Tatnel	5	5
Edward	Wright	39	39
Arthur	Woolley	30	30
Abell	Wilkinson	10	10
Thomas	Walsh	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
	Total	<u>1185</u>	<u>1185</u>

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

24th February 1713 LLC 4

A warrant given to the treasurer to pay Robert Boulby or order £1 12s 3d for freight of 43 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 9d per piece.

Beatrice Fisher appearing at the board signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Governor in open Court and was thereupon admitted a member of this Company.

10th March 1713 LLC 4

The following agreement was made by the Court with Alex Mitchell Viz.

It is this day mutually agreed between the Court of Assistants of the Governor & Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit coal & Sea coal, and Alex Mitchell of London, Merchant that the said Alex Mitchell shall furnish the Company from time to time with money at Edinburgh, not exceeding five hundred pounds per quarter, the said Alex Mitchell or his agents taking bills for the same under the hands of John Newton or William Lee, at twenty five days after date drawn on Dr Edward Wright of London; which said bills the said Company doth promise to see duly paid and satisfied, he the said Alex Mitchell allowing the said Company a half per cent for the exchange for one year from the date hereof, which we have interchangeably subscribed.

28th April 1713 LLC 4

Warrants given the treasurer

1 to John Chamberlin £2 9s 6d for freight of 66 pieces of lead a Newcastle at 9d per piece.

1 to John Lyon £12 for freight of 80 pieces of lead from Wales at 3s per piece.

2nd June 1713 LLC 4

Warrants given the treasurer

1 to Robert Pearson & John Hammon £13 2s 3d for freight of 350 pieces of lead a Newcastle at 9d per piece.

9th June 1713 LLC 4

The treasurer reported that John Cook was arrived with 200 pieces of great lead from Wales for which he paid him £30 being 3s per piece.

Warrants given the treasurer

1 to John Chamberlain, £3 18s 9d and Thomas Ward £7 10s in all £11 8s 9d for freight of 305 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 9d per piece.

7th July 1713 LLC 4

Letter from Charles Alsopp with the Whitfield Cupula, Shildon Lead Mine, Acton Mill and Blaydon paybills.

4th August 1713 LLC 4

Letter from Thomas Taylor of the 31st July last with a receipt for 120 pieces of lead from Newcastle shipped on board the Centurion, Benjamin Barlow for London. And he has likewise shipped on board the Invitation of Whitby, Henry Simpson 45 pieces at 9d.

Warrants given the treasurer.

1 to Benjamin Barlow for £4 10s for freight of 120 pieces of lead from Newcastle.

1 to Henry Simpson for £1 13s 9d for freight of 45 pieces of lead from Newcastle.

14th July 1713 LLC 4

Anthony Barkers letter with a note for delivery of 10 cakes of silver 419 oz 13 pw.

21st July 1713 LLC 4

Received from Charles Alsopp the paybill for Wanlockhead and Whitfield Cupula.

28th July 1713 LLC 4

Anthony Barkers letter with a note for delivery of 11 cakes of silver 432 oz 17 pw. He also advised of selling 12 tun of lead at £8 19s tun to Samuel Plummer.

11th August 1713 LLC 4

Report on a visit to the Mills and Mines in the North.

We set out from London the 25th of June last, and the first place we entered upon business was at Durham. Where we met the Lord Barnard's steward and discourse him fully about the Lords ore and have a great deal of reason to hope it may conduce to the Company's more easy dealing with him for the future.

It not being advisable to go to Acton Mill, Shildon mine, Whitfield Cupula &c. on the coach, we left that at Hexham for 3 days and had horses for that service.

The first place we viewed was Acton Mill which is very well situated and fitted for smelting and refining, by the help of water, the fuel is cheap and a good stock of peat at the mill, this mill is supplied with ore from ye Company mines at Shildon and some Company ores in ye neighbourhood.

From thence we went to Shildon where a water gin placed to drain the works and gains several fathoms under em which goes at a small charge by which means they get a pretty good quantity of ore upon Bargain and hope to find a good length of it in fresh ground at both ends at reasonable rates. We think both here and at ye mill things are managed with great care and good husbandry.

We proceeded to Whitfield Cupola which we found very well provided with all conveniences for smelting, refining, &c. a good stock of ore, coals, &c. and a very good management of Thomas Pattison who likewise hath erected ye furnace for smelting, refining and reducing at Acton Mill and Wanlockhead very convenient and with as little charge as could be expected. We did the necessary at Newcastle in discoursing the Company correspondents there and found the Company to be in good credit with the trading people there.

From whence we proceeded to Edinburgh where we dined with the Earl of Glasgow, Cavers Douglas, and John Montgomery Esq.. &c. who managed the Duke of Queensbury's affairs. We were kindly received and very handsomely treated. Seeming to be gentlemen very well disposed to promoting the Dukes and the Company's interest in these parts, and which they assured us we should find continued upon all occasions. We soon removed the misunderstanding that was between them and the Company, concerning the Dukes being concerned one fourth part with the Company in smelting so that present there is perfect harmony, between those concerned for the Duke and the Company's agents and which we hope will be continued to the end of the lease. They expressed themselves well satisfied with the Company proceedings and with the industry and honesty of the Company agent William Lee.

We went to Leith and discoursed James Renton who receives the Company's lead, who we esteem to be very fitt for it. And who is to dispose of it, as he shall be from time to time directed by the Company, he refers himself to them for the first year, we thinking it not proper for him or us to settle these terms, till both saw what the degree of trouble it would be. There

was at Leith and coming thither from Wanlockhead about 100 Tunns of the Company's lead and about as much of the Lord Heptons, but no demand at present for shipping.

The Company's lead is free from duty by an Act of Parliament a copy of which we brought with us from the register.

We discoursed with John Mitchell merchant at Edinburgh who furnishes the Company with money upon returns and found him well pleased with their dealings and very ready to serve them.

From Edinburgh we went to Wanlockhead, where we spent some days in viewing the Company's works there and found very good conveniences for smelting and refining &c. by water. Great store of Peats ready got in the Company liberty's very cheap and good for smelting. Also several Bings of ore, besides a good quantity of slaggs and waste for smelting. The mines in those liberty's, having been very rich and requiring a pretty deal of time and charge to drive levels, to lay them dry, hath occasioned several levels to be driven, which promise a good reward when done, in the opinion of all the miners, nor can we be of opinion, that the Company ought not to proceed with them, for should those works prove, though far short of what may reasonably be expected, they may be considerable nor are they altogether working on Dead work, but have got already and are daily getting ore upon Bargain, which may continue the mill &c. at work, till some further proof be made and which we hope may keep the Company from loss, till some of the designs answer their expectation. One of which levels they hope, in a months time may make a good discovery, the workmen have it on a Bargain having almost for 3 years last past, worked a great deal under wages and wet to the skin every shift, in prospect of having a years work on the ore at a price, that will be profitable to the Company. We cannot find but William Lee is a proper person to manage those works with John Newton's assistance at present especially, he having the character of a very honest man and an expert miner and well qualified to deal with the people of that Country.

From Wanlockhead we proceeded into Wales where we found the works at Gadlis in great perfection and order and a great stock of coals and all other materials for the several parts of the works, but that which is most to be valued is the stock of ore, suitable to such conveniences, there being there, and at the Mountain above ground about 1,500 Tunns got at reasonable rates a great deal of at 8s per Tunn digging.

The new grant from Sir Pyers Mostyn is very large and promising they being come to ore in several places. We were very courteously entertained by Sir Pyers, who we have reason to believe will be a very kind and fair Landlord.

As we never had the mines in a more flourishing condition there never was a better prospect of their continuing so for many years, upon which we cannot but congratulate the court and remain ready to enlarge on any particulars by word of mouth.

8th September 1713 LLC 4

A warrant was given to pay Benjamin Barlow for the freight of 136 small pieces of lead from Newcastle at 9d per piece £5 2s.

The weight of the last 8 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	52 lb.	4 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 2	65 lb.	9 oz	15 pw	fine	better	17 1/2 pw
Ingot No 3	72 lb.	1 oz	15 pw	fine	better	16 1/2 pw
Total Standard	204 lb.	7 oz	7 pw	6 gr.		
Ingot No 1	60 lb.	0 oz	15 pw	fine	better	17 pw

Ingot No 2	55 lb.	11 oz	5 pw	fine	better	17 pw
Ingot No 3	60 lb.	0 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16 1/2 pw
Ingot No 4	48 lb.	3 oz	10 pw	fine	better	16 1/2 pw
Ingot No 5	48 lb.	6 oz	0 pw	fine	better	15 1/2 pw
Total Standard	293 lb.	0 oz	15 pw			12 gr.

The total value of the 8 ingots £1542 16s 0d.

20th September 1713 LLC 4

The weight of the last 6 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	57 lb.	5 oz	0 pw			
Ingot No 2	56 lb.	10 oz	10 pw			
Ingot No 3	48 lb.	1 oz	15 pw			
Ingot No 4	46 lb.	11 oz	10 pw			
Total Standard	224 lb.	11 oz	16 pw			12 gr.
Ingot No 1	52 lb.	0 oz	10 pw			
Ingot No 2	51 lb.	11 oz	10 pw			

Total Standard 111 lb. 0 oz 6 pw 12 gr.

The total value of the 6 ingots £1041 12s 6d.

22nd September 1713 LLC 4

Warrant given to the treasurer to repay himself £145 5s in discharge of Coach hire & expenses on their journey to Scotland &c. with all ten guineas each to himself, Mr Enoch Floyd & Mr John Haddon as a gratification for their trouble in performing their journey.

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s due midsummer last.

		Shares	£	s	d
Isaac	Ashley	20	20		
Patience	Ashfield	10	10		
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	11	11		
John	Bellers	5	5		
Mary	Bawne	20	20		
James	Brace	10	10		
John	Beighton	50	50		
Thomas	Boddington	13	13		
Christopher	Crell deceased	30	30		
Thomas	Cooper	35	35		
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20		
Richard	Collett	5	5		
William	Chambers	4	4		
John	Clarke	5	5		
Ann	Chokk	5	5		
John	Cox	5	5		
William	Collard	1	1		
Richard	Diamond	10	10		

Joan	Dant	25	25
Thomas	Emlin	5	5
Richard	Eames	15	15
Enoch	Floyd	30	30
John	Freame	20	20
Beatrice	Fisher	10	10
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10
Thomas	Gould	15	15
Joseph	Grove	50	50
Urban	Hall Esq	25	25
John	Haddon	25	25
Joseph	Heale	10	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	5	5
Thomas	Hale	5	5
Henry	Holloway	15	15
John	Holloway	10	10
John	Hubbard	5	5
Humphrey	Hill	35	35
Peter	Higginson	10	10
Joyce	Issod	10	10
Thomas	Kirby	21	21
John	Knight	10	10
Edward	Leeds	55	55
Thomas	Lee deceased	2	2
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	2
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	23
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Mary	Mason	37	37
Thomas	Martin	10	10
Lascells	Metcalf	20	20
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
Roger	Newham	8	8
William	Ockenden	25	25
Thomas	Oade	5	5
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5
Richard	Parks	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6
John	Rayner	5	5
Mary	Stamper	10	10
William	Smith	10	10
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner deceased	15	15
James	Tonkes	25	25

John	Tatnel	5	5
Edward	Wright	52	52
Arthur	Woolley	30	30
Abell	Wilkinson	10	10
Thomas	Walsh	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
	Total	<u>1185</u>	<u>£1185</u>

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

29th September 1713 LLC 4

The treasurer reported the weights & fineness of 6 last ingots.

Nos 1 to 4 weight standard 224 lb 11 oz 16 pw 12 gr

and

Nos 1 & 2 weight standard 111 lb 0 oz 6 pw 12 gr

Total Money £1041 12s 6d.

20th October 1713 LLC 4

Paid Thomas Errington £240.

24th November 1713 LLC 4

The weight of the last 7 ingots was reported.

Ingot No 1	72 lb.	8 oz	5 pw	fine	better	15 1/2 pw
Ingot No 2	53 lb.	4 oz	15 pw	fine	better	15 1/2 pw
Ingot No 3	53 lb.	6 oz	0 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Total Standard	192 lb.	0 oz	0 pw	8 gr.		
Ingot No 1	70 lb.	10 oz	0 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Ingot No 2	70 lb.	10 oz	15 pw	fine	better	15 1/2 pw
Ingot No 3	42 lb.	6 oz	10 pw	fine	better	14 1/2 pw
Ingot No 4	42 lb.	2 oz	5 pw	fine	better	13 1/2 pw
Total Standard	241 lb.	6 oz	9 pw	5 gr.		

The total value of the 7 ingots £1343 19s 4d.

7th January 1714 LLC 4

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants

The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Charles Du Bois

Mr Edward Leeds

Mr Thomas Cooper

Mr John Haddon

Dr Edward Wright

Mr Samuel Beachcroft

Mr Joseph Grove

Mr Joseph Heale

Mr Humphrey Hill

Mr Nathaniel Matson

10th January 1714 LLC 4

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 13th Day of January 1713 to 7th inst., inclusive the sum of seventy nine pounds ten shillings.

Urban Hall Esq	£10	9s	3d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£11	0s	3d
Dr Edward Wright	£10	17s	9d
Mr Edward Leeds	£6	8s	6d
Mr John Haddon	£10	0s	3d
Mr Thomas Cooper	£12	15s	3d
Mr Humphrey Hill	£12	10s	3d
Mr Joseph Grove	£4	4s	3d
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	<u>£0</u>	<u>4s</u>	<u>3d</u>
	<u>£79</u>	<u>10s</u>	<u>0d</u>

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Sub-committee from the 15th Day of January 1712 to this 6th day January 1713 inclusive the sum of forty pounds ten shillings.

Mr Enoch Floyd	£12	1s	3d
Dr Edward Wright	£12	1s	3d
Mr John Haddon	£12	1s	3d
Mr Edward Leeds	<u>£4</u>	<u>6s</u>	<u>3d</u>
	<u>£42</u>	<u>0s</u>	<u>0d</u>

Warrant to pay William Raisbeck £8 6s 8d for the freight of 200 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 10d per piece.

9th March 1714 LLC 4

Treasurer reported that he had advanced to Esquire Forster for duty of ore at Jeffry Groves and Shildon the 4th past £20.

16th March 1714 LLC 4

Paid £100 to Thomas Errington.

6th April 1714 LLC 4

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s due Christmas last.

		Shares	£	s	d
Isaac	Ashley	20	20		
Patience	Ashfield	10	10		
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	11	11		
John	Bellers	5	5		
Mary	Bawne	20	20		
James	Brace	10	10		
John	Beighton	50	50		
Thomas	Boddington	13	13		
Christopher	Crell deceased	30	30		
Thomas	Cooper	35	35		

Elizabeth	Clay	20	20
Richard	Collett	5	5
William	Chambers	4	4
John	Clarke	5	5
John	Cox	5	5
Ann	Chokk	5	5
Mary	Collard	2	2
Richard	Diamond	10	10
Joan	Dant	25	25
Thomas	Emlin	5	5
Richard	Eames	15	15
Enoch	Floyd	30	30
John	Freame	20	20
Beatrice	Fisher	10	10
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10
Thomas	Gould	15	15
Joseph	Grove	50	50
Urban	Hall Esq	25	25
John	Haddon	25	25
Joseph	Heale	10	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	5	5
Thomas	Hale	5	5
Henry	Holloway	15	15
John	Holloway	10	10
John	Hubbard	5	5
Humphrey	Hill	35	35
Peter	Higginson	10	10
Joyce	Issod	10	10
Thomas	Kirby	21	21
John	Knight	10	10
Edward	Leeds	55	55
Thomas	Lee deceased	2	2
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	2
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	23
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Thomas	Martin	10	10
Mary	Mason	37	37
Lascells	Metcalf	20	20
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
Roger	Newham	8	8
William	Ockenden	25	25
Thomas	Oade	5	5
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5

Richard	Parks	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6
John	Rayner	5	5
Elizabeth	Stamper	9	9
William	Smith	10	10
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner deceased	15	15
James	Tonkes	25	25
John	Tatnel	5	5
Edward	Wright	52	52
Arthur	Woolley	30	30
Abell	Wilkinson	10	10
Thomas	Walsh	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
	Total	<u>1185</u>	<u>1185</u>

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

8th June 1714 LLC 4

Warrant to pay Henry Simpson £7 10s and to John Chamberlain £5 12s 6d, in all £13 2s 6d for freight of 350 pieces of small lead from Newcastle at 9d per piece.

22nd June 1714 LLC 4

£200 paid in part of farm due to Sir Richard Grosvenor for lead ore weighed from Ladyday 1714 to the 10th inst..

6th July 1714 LLC 4

£40 on account of farm for lead ore weighed between Midsummer 1714 to Michaelmas 1714 paid to Sir Richard Grosvenor.

13th July 1714 LLC 4

Warrant to pay John Chamberlain £5 12s 6d, Benjamin Barlow £6 11s 3d, and John Linton £3 15s in all £15 18s 9d for freight of 425 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 9d per piece.

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s due midsummer last.

		Shares	£	s	d
Isaac	Ashley	20	20		
Patience	Ashfield	10	10		
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	11	11		
John	Bellers	5	5		
Mary	Bawne	20	20		
James	Brace	10	10		
John	Beighton	50	50		
Thomas	Boddington	13	13		
Christopher	Crell deceased	30	30		

Thomas	Cooper	35	35
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20
Richard	Collett	5	5
William	Chambers	4	4
John	Clarke	5	5
Ann	Chokk	5	5
Mary	Collard	2	2
Richard	Diamond	10	10
Joan	Dant	25	25
Thomas	Emlin	5	5
Richard	Eames	15	15
Enoch	Floyd	30	30
John	Freame	20	20
Beatrice	Fisher	10	10
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10
Thomas	Gould	15	15
Joseph	Grove	40	40
Urban	Hall Esq	25	25
John	Haddon	20	20
Joseph	Heale	10	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	5	5
Thomas	Hale	5	5
Henry	Holloway	15	15
John	Holloway	10	10
John	Hubbard	5	5
Humphrey	Hill	48	48
Peter	Higginson	10	10
Joyce	Issod	10	10
Thomas	Kirby	21	21
John	Knight	12	12
Edward	Leeds	55	55
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	2
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	23
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Thomas	Martin	10	10
Mary	Mason	37	37
Lascells	Metcalfe	20	20
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
William	Ockenden	30	30
Thomas	Oade	5	5
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5
Richard	Parks	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6

John	Rayner	5	5
Elizabeth	Stamper	9	9
William	Smith	10	10
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner deceased	15	15
James	Tonkes	25	25
John	Tatnel	5	5
John	Usher	10	10
Edward	Wright	52	52
Arthur	Woolley	30	30
Abell	Wilkinson	10	10
Thomas	Walsh	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
	Total	<u>1185</u>	<u>£1185</u>

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

27th July 1714 LLC 4

Warrants given the treasurer.

1 to repay himself £63 13s 4d which he paid to John Stevens for the freight of 208 great and 399 small pieces of lead from Wales.

1 to Cloth workers porters £7 8s 9d in discharge for landing lead to the 14th June last.

1 to William Dickinson £5 12s 6d, Thomas Ward £5 12s 6d and Benjamin Barlow £7 10s in all £18 15s for the freight of 500 pieces of lead from Newcastle.

10th August 1714 LLC 4

Ordered. That the lead account General be debited to the Treasurer for £7 14s 6d paid the Governor for 28 oz 2 pw of silver which this Company presented him which of their first silver made & which was since imported into the mint with some of the Company's other silver.

The draught of a lease to this Company from Henry Glegg of certain liberty's for getting ore in the hundred of Prestatyn in Flintshire was read and agreed to and ordered to be engrossed.

7th September 1714 LLC 4

Warrants given the treasurer.

1 to Richard Payne £9 5s 6d in discharge for the carriage of silver to 4th inst.

1 to Robert Boulby £7 6s 3s, and to Benjamin Barlow £11 5s in all £18 11s 3d for freight of 495 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 9d per piece.

21st September 1714 LLC 4

Ordered. That the treasurer have credit for the charges of shipping 140 pieces of small lead from Newcastle in the Duke of Cambridge William Coke master £9 14s 6d.

24th September 1714 LLC 4

A lease from Henry Glegg bearing the date 1st day of July last of lead and copper mines in hundred of Prestatyn in the County of Flint read and executed by the Henry Glegg and Joshua Edisbury.

Ordered. That the seal of this Corporation be affixed to the counterpart of the said lease, and also to the separate articles relating thereto.

Ordered. That the treasurer draw a bill in Anthony Barker for £150 payable to Henry Glegg or order at the time of executing the said lease by Ralph Wilbraham Esq and Elizabeth Glegg parties to the same which said £150 is to be deducted according to the conditions of the said lease.

5th October 1714 LLC 4

Memorandum

It is this day mutually agreed between the Court of Assistants of the Governor & Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit coal & Sea coal, and Alex Mitchell of London, Merchant that the said Alex Mitchell shall furnish the Company from time to time with money at Edinburgh, not exceeding five hundred pounds per quarter, the said Alex Mitchell or his agents taking bills for the same under the hands of John Newton or William Lee, at twenty days after date drawn on Dr Edward Wright of London; which said bills the said Company doth promise to see duly paid and satisfied, he the said Alex Mitchell allowing the said Company not to allow the said Company anything for the exchange for one year from the date hereof, which we have interchangeably subscribed.

9th November 1714 LLC 4

Joseph Rambon was this day admitted a member of this Company and signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter.

9th December 1714 LLC 4

The grant for the continuance of a lease of Gilkers Clugh in Great Britain bearing the date this day was read, and executed by James Hamilton. The Company seal was affixed.

21st December 1714 LLC 4

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s due at Christmas.

		Shares	£	s	d
Isaac	Ashley	10	10		
Patience	Ashfield	10	10		
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	11	11		
John	Bellers	5	5		
Mary	Bawne	20	20		
James	Brace	10	10		
John	Beighton	50	50		
Thomas	Boddington	13	13		
Christopher	Crell deceased	30	30		
Thomas	Cooper	35	35		

Elizabeth	Clay	20	20
William	Chambers	4	4
John	Clarke	5	5
Ann	Chokk	5	5
Mary	Collard	2	2
Richard	Diamond	10	10
Joan	Dant	25	25
Thomas	Emlin	5	5
Richard	Eames	15	15
Enoch	Floyd	30	30
John	Freame	20	20
Beatrice	Fisher	10	10
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10
Thomas	Gould	15	15
Joseph	Grove deceased	40	40
Urban	Hall Esq	25	25
John	Haddon	20	20
Joseph	Heale	10	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	5	5
Thomas	Hale	5	5
Henry	Holloway	15	15
John	Holloway	10	10
Humphrey	Hill	48	48
Peter	Higginson	10	10
John	Hubbard	5	5
Joyce	Issod	10	10
Thomas	Kirby	21	21
John	Knight	12	12
Edward	Leeds	55	55
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	2
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	23
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Thomas	Martin	15	15
Mary	Mason	37	37
Lascells	Metcalf	20	20
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
Joseph	Moore	10	10
William	Ockenden	30	30
Thomas	Oade	5	5
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5
Richard	Parks	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6
John	Rayner	5	5

Joseph	Rambon	5	5
Elizabeth	Stamper	9	9
William	Smith	20	20
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner deceased	15	15
John	Tatnel	5	5
John	Usher	10	10
Edward	Wright	37	37
Arthur	Woolley	30	30
Abell	Wilkinson	10	10
Thomas	Walsh	5	5
John	Willis	<u>25</u>	<u>25</u>
	Total	<u>1185</u>	<u>1185</u>

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

Warrant given the treasurer.

To Thomas Ware & Thomas Vickerman £11 5s for the freight of 300 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 9d per piece.

4th January 1715 LLC 4

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 12th Day of January 1714 to this day inclusive the sum of £82 10s.

Urban Hall Esq	£11	10s	9d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£13	6s	3d
Dr Edward Wright	£13	2s	9d
Mr Edward Leeds	£6	5s	6d
Mr John Haddon	£12	18s	6d
Mr Thomas Cooper	£12	17s	9d
Mr Humphrey Hill	£12	4s	3d
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	£0	4s	3d
	<u>£82</u>	<u>10s</u>	<u>0d</u>

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Sub-committee from the 12th Day of January 1714 to this day inclusive the sum of £43 10s.

Mr Enoch Floyd	£12	17s	6d
Dr Edward Wright	£12	17s	6d
Mr John Haddon	£12	10s	0d
Mr Edward Leeds	£5	5s	0d
	<u>£43</u>	<u>10s</u>	<u>0d</u>

6th January 1715 LLC 4

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants

The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor
Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Charles Du Bois
 Mr Thomas Cooper
 Dr Edward Wright
 Mr William Smith
 Mr Humphrey Hill

Mr Edward Leeds
 Mr John Haddon
 Mr Samuel Beachcroft
 Mr Joseph Heale
 Mr Nathaniel Matson

18th January 1715 LLC 4

The treasurer reported the weights of 11 ingots of silver worth £2,251 14s 8d.

Ingot No 1	68 lb.	7 oz	0 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Ingot No 2	48 lb.	1 oz	5 pw	fine	better	13 1/2 pw
Ingot No 3	70 lb.	7 oz	0 pw	fine	better	14 1/2 pw
Ingot No 4	62 lb.	9 oz	15 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Total Standard	269 lb.	9 oz	7 pw	4 gr.		
Ingot No 1	64 lb.	1 oz	5 pw	fine	better	14 1/2 pw
Ingot No 2	47 lb.	7 oz	0 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Total Standard	119 lb.	1 oz	1 pw	12 gr.		
Ingot No 1	74 lb.	5 oz	15 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Ingot No 2	56 lb.	5 oz	15 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 3	64 lb.	6 oz	0 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Total Standard	208 lb.	11 oz	0 pw	15 gr.		
Ingot No 1	71 lb.	8 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 2	59 lb.	0 oz	0 pw	fine	better	17 1/2 pw
Total Standard	131 lb.	6 oz	19 pw	19 gr.		

The total value of the 11 ingots £2251 14s 8d.

8th February 1715 LLC 4

The treasurer reported the weights of 8 ingots of silver.

Ingot No 1	55 lb.	11 oz	0 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 2	55 lb.	11 oz	15 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 3	69 lb.	10 oz	5 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 4	42 lb.	9 oz	0 pw	fine	better	14 1/2 pw
Ingot No 5	46 lb.	6 oz	10 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 6	69 lb.	7 oz	0 pw	fine	better	15 pw
Ingot No 7	68 lb.	4 oz	5 pw	fine	better	16 pw
Ingot No 8	58 lb.	7 oz	10 pw	fine	better	16 1/2 pw
Total Standard	500 lb.	11 oz	17 pw	9 gr.		

The total value of the 8 ingots £1553 1s 0d.

22nd February 1715 LLC 4

Nathanial Ford, John Harris and Paul Crell severally took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

1st March 1715 LLC 4

Warrant given to the treasurer, To John Molton £4 18s 8d for the freight of 148 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 8d per piece.

17th May 1715 LLC 4

The treasurer had advanced to Thomas Forster £100 for duty ore out of Jeffry's and Shildon Grove.

31st May 1715 LLC 4

Paid to John Haddon £74 13s 6d

In discharge for 198 barrs of Swedes Iron quantity 3 tuns 19 cwt 1 qr 25 lbs

at £18 per tun and charges £73 1s 0d

And for 4 Wire seives £1 12s 6d

Shipped on board the Owners Goodwill William Stephens master to Anthony Barker at Gadlis in Wales.

Esquire Forster had brought a lease for Shildon and a lease for Whiteheaps.

21st June 1715 LLC 4

Warrants were given the treasurer.

1 to Benjamin Barlow £4 19s, Henry Simpson £7 10s, Robert Pearson £5 2s 6d in all £17 11s 6d for freight of 703 small pieces of lead from Newcastle.

1 to Arthur Fisher £20 14s 9d, Edward Miller £7 6s 8d, John Clark 9s for 147 bushels of bone ashes & 80 casks with shipping charges.

Ordered. That the treasurer be made Dr for £0 13s 6d for so much received of Benjamin Barlow for 1 piece loss weight 1 cwt 2 quarter at 9s per cwt.

5th July 1715 LLC 4

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s due at Midsummer last.

		Shares	£	s	d
Patience	Ashfield	10	10		
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	11	11		
John	Bellers	5	5		
Mary	Bawne	20	20		
James	Brace	10	10		
Thomas	Boddington	13	13		
Christopher	Crell deceased	25	25		
Thomas	Cooper	35	35		
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20		
William	Chambers	4	4		
John	Clarke	5	5		
Ann	Chokk	5	5		
Paul	Crell	5	5		
Richard	Diamond	10	10		
Joan	Dant	25	25		
Thomas	Emlin	5	5		
Richard	Eames	15	15		

Enoch	Floyd	30	30
John	Freame	20	20
Mary	Collard	2	2
Nathanial	Ford	10	10
Beatrice	Fisher	20	20
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10
Thomas	Gould	15	15
Joseph	Grove deceased	40	40
Urban	Hall Esq	25	25
John	Haddon	20	20
Joseph	Heale	10	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	5	5
John	Hubbard	5	5
Thomas	Hale	5	5
Henry	Holloway	15	15
John	Holloway	10	10
Humphrey	Hill	48	48
Peter	Higginson	10	10
John	Harris	10	10
Joyce	Issod	10	10
Thomas	Kirby	21	21
John	Knight	12	12
Edward	Leeds	55	55
Joseph	Lacy	2	2
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	23
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Mary	Mason	47	47
Thomas	Martin	15	15
Lascells	Metcalf	20	20
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
Joseph	Moore	10	10
William	Ockenden	30	30
Thomas	Oade	5	5
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5
Richard	Parks	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6
John	Rayner	5	5
Joseph	Rambon	5	5
Elizabeth	Stamper	9	9
William	Smith	25	25
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner	15	15
John	Tatnel	5	5

John	Usher	15	15
Edward	Wright	37	37
Arthur	Woolley	40	40
Abell	Wilkinson	10	10
Thomas	Walsh	5	5
John	Willis	<u>25</u>	<u>25</u>
	Total	<u>1185</u>	<u>1185</u>

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

Warrant given the treasurer for £14 To pay Roger Boulby £6 10s, Benjamin Barlow £7 10s in all £14 for the freight of 560 pieces of lead from Newcastle.

6th September 1715 LLC 4

The treasurer reported the weights of 13 ingots of silver.
848 lb. 6 oz 13 pw 12 gr. Standard. Value £2630 10s 5d

4th October 1715 LLC 4

Robert Wall took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

18th October 1715 LLC 4

Warrant to pay William Harle £2 5s, and Isaac Storme £2 16s for freight of 202 pieces of lead from Newcastle

22nd November 1715 LLC 4

The treasurer reported the weights of 18 ingots of silver 1013 lb. 11 oz 14 pw 6 gr. Standard. Value £3,143 6s 5d.

6th December 1715 LLC 4

The treasurer reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver. 127 lb. Standard. Value £395 11s 9d.

20th December 1715 LLC 4

Paid Christopher Staft for the freight of 100 pieces of small lead from Newcastle 6d per piece £2 10s

27th December 1715 LLC 4

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s due at Christmas last.

		Shares	£	s	d
Patience	Ashfield deceased	10	10		
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	11	11		
John	Bellers	5	5		

Mary	Bawne	20	20
James	Brace	10	10
Thomas	Boddington	13	13
Christopher	Crell deceased	25	25
Thomas	Cooper	35	35
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20
William	Chambers	4	4
John	Clarke	5	5
Ann	Chokk	5	5
Mary	Collard	2	2
Paul	Crell	5	5
Richard	Diamond	10	10
Joan	Dant	25	25
Thomas	Emlin	5	5
Richard	Eames	15	15
Enoch	Floyd	30	30
John	Freame	20	20
Beatrice	Fisher	20	20
Nathanial	Ford	10	10
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10
Thomas	Gould	15	15
Joseph	Grove deceased	40	40
Urban	Hall Esq	25	25
John	Haddon	20	20
Joseph	Heale	10	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	5	5
Thomas	Hale	5	5
Henry	Holloway	15	15
John	Holloway	10	10
Humphrey	Hill	48	48
Peter	Higginson	10	10
John	Hubbard	5	5
Joyce	Issod	10	10
Thomas	Kirby	21	21
John	Knight	12	12
Edward	Leeds	55	55
Joseph	Lacy	2	2
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	23
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Mary	Mason	47	47
Thomas	Martin	15	15
Lascells	Metcalf	20	20
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
Joseph	Moore	10	10
William	Ockenden	30	30

Thomas	Oade	5	5
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5
Richard	Parks	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6
John	Rayner	5	5
Joseph	Rambon	5	5
Elizabeth	Stamper	9	9
William	Smith	25	25
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner	15	15
John	Tatnel	5	5
John	Usher	15	15
Edward	Wright	37	37
Arthur	Woolley	30	30
Abell	Wilkinson	10	10
Thomas	Walsh	5	5
John	Willis	25	25
Robert	Wall	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>
	Total	<u>1185</u>	<u>1185</u>

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

3rd January 1716 LLC 4

Paid Robert Elliott £2 10s, and Nicholas Fletcher £5 11s for freight of 322 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 6d per piece.

5th January 1716 LLC 4

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants
The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Charles Du Bois	Mr Edward Leeds
Mr Thomas Cooper	Mr John Haddon
Dr Edward Wright	Mr Samuel Beachcroft
Mr William Smith	Mr Joseph Heale
Mr Humphrey Hill	Mr Nathaniel Matson

10th January 1716 LLC 4

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 6th Day of January 1715 to the 3rd inst inclusive.

Urban Hall Esq	£10	9s	0d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£11	11s	3d

Dr Edward Wright	£11	7s	6d
Mr Edward Leeds	£4	17s	6d
Mr John Haddon	£11	11s	3d
Mr Thomas Cooper	£9	10s	6d
Mr Humphrey Hill	£8	19s	9d
Mr William Smith	£10	13s	3d
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	<u>£0</u>	<u>10s</u>	<u>0d</u>
	<u>£79</u>	<u>10s</u>	<u>0d</u>

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Sub-committee from the 12th Day of January 1715 to this day inclusive the sum of £43 10s.

Dr Edward Wright	£14	5s	0d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£14	5s	0d
Mr John Haddon	£12	15s	0d
Mr Edward Leeds	<u>£4</u>	<u>10s</u>	<u>0d</u>
	<u>£45</u>	<u>15s</u>	<u>0d</u>

20th March 1716 LLC 4

Warrant to pay Matthew Palfrey £15 for 2 pairs of Bellows sent to Anthony Barker.

3rd April 1716 LLC 4

Samuel Tilly & John Buckland severally took the oath appointed by the Charter in open Court before the Deputy Governor and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

Thomas Prigg & Ann Wilkinson signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter in open Court before the Deputy Governor and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

24th April 1716 LLC 4

The treasurer reported the weights of 15 ingots of silver 922 lb. 0 oz 11 pw 17 gr. Standard. Value £2,858 6s 10 1/2d.

19th June 1716 LLC 4

Warrant to pay the following persons

Arthur Fisher £36 15s 3d, Edward Miller £4 11s 8d, Henry Latemar £4 11s 8d, John Clark £1 11s in all £47 9s 7d for 261 bushels of bone ash and casks with shipping charges for Newcastle.

3rd July 1716 LLC 4

Paid to George Stebbings £2 10s, Thomas Boulby £7 10s for the freight of 400 pieces of small lead from Newcastle.

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s due at Midsummer last.

		Shares	£	s
Patience	Ashfield	10	10	
John	Askew	5	5	
Charles	du Bois	20	20	
Samuel	Beachcroft	11	11	

John	Bellers	5	5
Mary	Bawne	20	20
Thomas	Boddington	13	13
Christopher	Crell deceased	25	25
Thomas	Cooper deceased	10	10
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20
William	Chambers	4	4
John	Clarke	5	5
Ann	Chokk	5	5
Mary	Collard	2	2
Paul	Crell	5	5
Richard	Diamond	10	10
Joan	Dant	25	25
Thomas	Emlin	5	5
Richard	Eames	15	15
Enoch	Floyd	30	30
John	Freame	20	20
Beatrice	Fisher	20	20
Nathanial	Ford	20	20
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10
Thomas	Gould	15	15
Joseph	Grove deceased	40	40
Urban	Hall Esq	25	25
John	Haddon	20	20
Joseph	Heale	10	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	5	5
Thomas	Hale	5	5
Henry	Holloway	15	15
John	Holloway	10	10
Humphrey	Hill	48	48
John	Hubbard	5	5
John	Harris	5	5
Joyce	Issod	10	10
Thomas	Kirby	21	21
John	Knight	12	12
Edward	Leeds	50	50
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	2
Samuel	Leadbeater	10	10
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	23
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Mary	Mason	47	47
Thomas	Martin	15	15
Lascells	Metcalfe	20	20
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
Joseph	Moore	10	10

William	Ockenden	30	30
Thomas	Oade	5	5
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5
Richard	Parks	5	5
Thomas	Prigg	10	10
Thomas	Pitstow	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6
John	Rayner	5	5
Joseph	Rambon	5	5
Elizabeth	Stamper	9	9
William	Smith	35	35
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner	15	15
John	Tatnel	5	5
John	Usher	15	15
Edward	Wright	37	37
Arthur	Woolley	30	30
Abell	Wilkinson	10	10
Thomas	Walsh	5	5
John	Willis	25	25
Robert	Wall	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>
	Total	<u>1185</u>	<u>1185</u>

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

17th July 1716 LLC 4

Paid to William Robinson £2 10s, Henry Simpson £5, Joseph Gascoyn £5 0s 6d, for freight of 501 pieces lead from Newcastle.

24th July 1716 LLC 4

Paid to Benjamin Barlow £5 0s 6d for freight of 201 pieces of lead from Newcastle at 6d per piece.

31st July 1716 LLC 4

Paid to Henry Simpson £4 17s, and Richard Harrison £5 for freight of 394 pieces of lead from Newcastle.

18th September 1716 LLC 4

Paid to Henry Simpson £3 2s 6d, Henry Stevens £2 10s, John Aubenns £2 15s, John Boulby £2 10s and Roger Boulby £2 10s for freight of 535 pieces of small lead from Newcastle.

8th January 1717 LLC 4

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants

The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Charles Du Bois	Mr Edward Leeds
Mr Arthur Woolley	Mr John Haddon
Dr Edward Wright	Mr Samuel Beachcroft
Mr William Smith	Mr Joseph Heale
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	Mr Nathaniel Matson

15th January 1717 LLC4

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 10th Day of January 1716 to 1st Jan 1717.

Urban Hall Esq	£12	7s	3d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£15	1s	6d
Dr Edward Wright	£15	1s	0d
Mr Edward Leeds	£6	10s	0d
Mr John Haddon	£15	1s	6d
Mr Humphrey Hill	£0	8s	6d
Mr William Smith	£14	7s	6d
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	£0	12s	9d
	£79	10s	0d

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Sub-committee from the 10th Day of January 1716 to 1st January 1717

Dr Edward Wright	£13	9s	3d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£13	9s	3d
Mr John Haddon	£13	9s	3d
Mr Edward Leeds	£4	9s	3d
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	£0	3s	9d
	£45	0s	0d

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s due at Christmas last.

		Shares	£	s
Patience	Ashfield	10	10	
John	Askew	5	5	
Charles	du Bois	20	20	
Samuel	Beachcroft	11	11	
Mary	Bawne	20	20	
Thomas	Boddington	13	13	
Christopher	Crell deceased	25	25	
Thomas	Cooper deceased	10	10	
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20	Sub Total 134
William	Chambers	4	4	
John	Clarke	5	5	
Ann	Chokk	5	5	

Mary	Collard	2	2	
Paul	Crell	5	5	
Richard	Diamond	10	10	
Joan	Dant deceased	25	25	
Samuel	Davis	10	10	
Thomas	Emlin	5	5	
Richard	Eames deceased	15	15	
Enoch	Floyd	30	30	
John	Freame	20	20	
Beatrice	Fisher	20	20	
Nathanial	Ford	20	20	
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10	
Thomas	Gould	15	15	
Urban	Hall Esq	20	20	
John	Haddon	20	20	
Joseph	Heale	10	10	
Benjamin	Hopkins	10	10	
Thomas	Heale	5	5	
Henry	Holloway	15	15	
John	Holloway	10	10	
Joseph	Hill	24	24	
Humphrey	Hill	24	24	
John	Hubbard	5	5	
John	Harris	10	10	
Joyce	Issod	10	10	
Thomas	Kirby	21	21	
John	Knight	12	12	
Edward	Leeds	50	50	
Joseph	Lacy	2	2	
Samuel	Leadbeater	10	10	Sub total 628! actual is 593
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70	
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	23	
Nathanael	Matson	60	60	
Mary	Mason deceased	47	47	
Thomas	Martin	15	15	
Lascells	Metcalf	20	20	
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5	
Joseph	Moore	10	10	
William	Ockenden	30	30	
Thomas	Oade	5	5	
Clement	Plumsted	10	10	
Mary	Perkins	10	10	
John	Peirie	5	5	
Richard	Parks	5	5	
Thomas	Prigg	5	5	
Thomas	Pitstow	5	5	

Michael	Russell	6	6
John	Rayner deceased	5	5
Joseph	Rawbon junr	5	5
Elizabeth	Stamper	9	9
William	Smith	35	35
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner deceased	15	15
John	Tatnel	5	5
John	Usher	15	15
Edward	Wright	37	37
Arthur	Woolley	30	30
Abell	Wilkinson	10	10
Thomas	Walsh	5	5
John	Willis	25	25
Robert	Wall	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>
	Total	<u>1150</u>	<u>1150</u>

The minute book records the total as 1185 shares and £1185 but there is an error! The total written in the minutes comes to 1150 as above.

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

29th January 1717 LLC 4

Paid to John Baxter £3, and George Hebbins £1 17s 6dm for the freight of 195 pieces of small lead from Newcastle at 6d per piece.

John Mucklow signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

5th February 1717 LLC 4

The treasurer reported the weights of 12 ingots of silver 804 lb. 10 oz 2 pw 13 gr. Standard. Value £2,495

21st May 1717 LLC 4

The treasurer reported that he had sold to Messrs Jeminieau 120 Tuns of large lead at £8 2s 6d delivered as usual at Blagill and 30 tuns of Litharge.

25th June 1717 LLC 4

Ordered. That the treasurer have credit for £2 10s he paid Stephen Thomas for freight of 100 pieces of small lead from Newcastle at 6d per piece.

9th July 1717 LLC 4

Paid to Thomas Taylor £5 and William Smith £2 10s for the freight of 300 pieces of small lead from Newcastle.

The Warrants were given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s per share to several proprietors due at midsummer last past.

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s due at Midsummer last.

		Shares	£	s	d
Patience	Ashfield	10	10		
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	11	11		
Mary	Bawne	20	20		
Thomas	Boddington	13	13		
Christopher	Crell deceased	25	25		
Thomas	Cooper deceased	10	10		
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20		
William	Chambers	4	4		
John	Clarke	5	5		
Ann	Chokk	5	5		
Mary	Collard	2	2		
Paul	Crell	5	5		
Richard	Diamond	10	10		
Joan	Dant	25	25		
Thomas	Emlin	5	5		
Richard	Eames	15	15		
Enoch	Floyd	35	35		
John	Freame	20	20		
Beatrice	Fisher	20	20		
Nathanial	Ford	20	20		
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10		
Thomas	Gould	15	15		
Joseph	Grosvenor deceased	40	40		
Urban	Hall Esq	20	20		
John	Haddon	20	20		
Joseph	Heale	10	10		
Benjamin	Hopkins	10	10		
Thomas	Heale	5	5		
Henry	Holloway	15	15		
John	Holloway	10	10		
Joseph	Hill	24	24		
Humphrey	Hill	24	24		
John	Harris	10	10		
John	Hubbard	5	5		
Joyce	Issod	10	10		
Thomas	Kirby	21	21		
John	Knight	12	12		
Edward	Leeds	50	50		
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	2		
James	Creed	10	10		
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70		

Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	23
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Mary	Mason deceased	10	10
Thomas	Martin	15	15
Lascells	Metcalfe	20	20
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
Joseph	Moore	10	10
John	Muchlow	26	26
Jonathan	Mason	11	11
William	Ockenden	30	30
Thomas	Oade	5	5
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5
Richard	Parks	5	5
Thomas	Prigg	5	5
Thomas	Pitstow	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6
John	Rayner deceased	5	5
Joseph	Rawbon junr	5	5
Elizabeth	Stamper	9	9
William	Smith	35	35
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner deceased	15	15
John	Tatnel	5	5
John	Usher	15	15
Edward	Wright	37	37
Arthur	Woolley	30	30
Abell	Wilkinson	10	10
Thomas	Walsh	5	5
John	Willis	25	25
Robert	Wall	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>
	Total	<u>1185</u>	<u>£1185</u>

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

23rd July 1717 LLC

The treasurer reported the weights of 14 ingots of silver 896 lb. 2 oz 2 pw 18 gr. Standard. Value £2,778 3s 0d.

3rd September 1717 LLC4

Ordered. That the treasurer have credit for £2 10s he paid William Stanby for freight of 100 pieces of small lead from Newcastle at 6d per piece.

12th November 1717 LLC 4

Jonathan Mason signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

19th November 1717 LLC 4

John Newton and Charles Alsopp having written that they had sent Abraham Watson to supply the place of William Lee according to order they had received to send a fit person, tis agreed that Abraham Watson may remain the Company agent at Wanlockhead till further orders.

17th December 1717 LLC 4

The Governor reported that he and Dr Wright had (pursuant to Summons) waited on the Commissioners of Enquiry where the adjusted account of ores bought of them by Charles Alsopp was compared and approved and the said Commissioners acquainted them that they would serve them with an order to pay the same into the exchequer pursuant to the Act of Parliament (accordingly they have done of the 8th inst) and that for the £40 paid Esq Fletcher by Charles Alsopp they would order the repayment of it by a warrant for incidents, but that the whole sum must be paid into the exchequer.

Also the Commission make a charge of 70 Bings of ore from Jeffreys Grove paid Esq Forster for which they have give ____ to inform our selves of the state of the affair promising to do all that is in their power in our favour therein or any other affair before them. The Commissioners also desire that a method may be considered about the delivery of the ores at the several mines in such manner as may make a currant account ½ yearly or sooner of which Charles Alsopp must be informed and desired with

7th January 1718 LLC 4

Pursuant to an order under the hands and seals of five of the Commissioners of Enquiry to pay the sum of four hundred and eighty pounds fifteen shillings & 6d the total of the account of ores bought by Charles Alsopp into the receipt of his Majesties Exchequer you are hereby impowered to pay the said sum accordingly and take a discharge for the same from the receipt of the exchequer and this shall be your warrant.

8th January 1718 LLC 4

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants
The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Charles Du Bois

Mr Edward Leeds

Mr Arthur Woolley

Mr John Haddon

Dr Edward Wright

Mr Samuel Beachcroft

Mr William Smith

Mr Joseph Heale

Mr Benjamin Hopkins

Mr Nathaniel Matson

21st January 1718 LLC 4

Cornelius Mason took the oath appointed by the Charter in open Court before the Governor & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

The Treasurer Reported that pursuant to a warrant of the last day he had paid Yesterday into the exchequer the sum of £480 15s 6d for which he had received a tally indischarge & paid in the Tally Court for the same.

Memorandum

The money was paid in Mr Hamdens office one of the Tellers in the name of Urban Hall Esq & Co., as it was directed by the order of the Commissioners of enquiry dated 8th instant for ore.

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s due at Christmas last.

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	11	11		
Mary	Bawne	20	20		
Thomas	Boddington	13	13		
Christopher	Crell deceased	25	25		
Thomas	Cooper deceased	10	10		
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20		
William	Chambers	4	4		
John	Clarke	5	5		
Ann	Chokk	5	5		
Mary	Collard	2	2		
Paul	Crell	10	10		
James	Creed	10	10		
Richard	Collet	10	10		
Richard	Diamond	10	10		
Joan	Dant	25	25		
Thomas	Emlin	5	5		
Richard	Eames	15	15		
Enoch	Floyd	35	35		
John	Freame	20	20		
Beatrice	Fisher	20	20		
Nathanial	Ford	20	20		
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10		
Thomas	Gould	15	15		
Joseph	Grove	40	40		
Urban	Hall Esq	20	20		
John	Haddon	20	20		
Joseph	Hale	10	10		
Benjamin	Hopkins	10	10		
Thomas	Heale	5	5		
Henry	Holloway	15	15		
John	Holloway	25	25		
Joseph	Hill	24	24		
Humphrey	Hill	24	24		
John	Hubbard	5	5		

Mr Enoch Floyd	£11	13s	0d
Dr Edward Wright	£11	10s	9d
Mr John Haddon	£11	12s	9d
Mr Edward Leeds	£5	14s	6d
Mr William Smith	£11	0s	6d
Mr Arthur Woolley	£7	6s	3d
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	<u>£11</u>	<u>5s</u>	<u>9d</u>
	<u>£81</u>	<u>0s</u>	<u>0d</u>

Ditto on the Sub-committee

Dr Edward Wright	£13	15s	0d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£13	15s	0d
Mr John Haddon	£13	15s	0d
Mr Edward Leeds	<u>£5</u>	<u>5s</u>	<u>0d</u>
	<u>£46</u>	<u>10s</u>	<u>0d</u>

25th March 1718 LLC 4

The treasurer reported the sale of 500 pigs of lead to Mr Andrew Anderupp of Newcastle at £8 12s, and to Mr Benjamin Gascoyne 1000 pigs at Newcastle at £8 12s 6d per fother.

8th April 1718 LLC 4

The treasurer reported the weights of 24 ingots of silver 1600 lb. 9 oz 18 pw 12 gr. Standard. Value £4,962 11s 0d.

20th May 1718 LLC 4

The following warrants were given the treasurer.

To Arthur Fisher £34 19s 3d, Edward Miller £9 3s 4d, and John Clark 12s 2d in all £44 14s 9d in discharge for 247 bushels of Bone Ashes & 100 casks sent to Scotland.

To Mathew Palfree £18 9s 6d for 2 pairs of large bellows sent to Scotland.

8th July 1718 LLC 4

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s due at Midsummer last.

		Shares	£	s	D
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	11	11		
Mary	Bawne	20	20		
Thomas	Boddington	13	13		
Christopher	Crell deceased	25	25		
Thomas	Cooper deceased	10	10		
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20		
William	Chambers	4	4		
John	Clarke	5	5		
Ann	Chokk	5	5		
Mary	Collard	2	2		

Paul	Crell	10	10
James	Creed	10	10
Richard	Collet	10	10
Richard	Diamond	10	10
Joan	Dant	25	25
Thomas	Emlin	5	5
Richard	Eames	15	15
Enoch	Floyd	35	35
John	Freame	20	20
Beatrice	Fisher	20	20
Nathanial	Ford	20	20
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10
Thomas	Gould	15	15
Joseph	Grove	40	40
Urban	Hall Esq	20	20
John	Haddon	20	20
Joseph	Heale	10	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	10	10
Thomas	Heale	5	5
Henry	Holloway	15	15
Joseph	Hill	24	24
Humphrey	Hill	24	24
John	Hubbard	5	5
Joyce	Issod	10	10
Thomas	Kirby	21	21
John	Knight	12	12
Edward	Leeds	50	50
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	2
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	23
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Mary	Mason deceased	10	10
Thomas	Martin	15	15
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
Lascells	Metcalf	20	20
Joseph	Moore	10	10
John	Muchlow	11	11
Jonathan	Mason	11	11
Cornelius	Mason Junr	10	10
William	Ockenden	30	30
Thomas	Oade	5	5
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5
Richard	Parks	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6

John	Rayner deceased	5	5
Joseph	Rawbon junr	5	5
Elizabeth	Stamper	9	9
William	Smith	55	55
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner deceased	15	15
John	Usher	15	15
Edward	Wright	27	27
Arthur	Woolley	40	40
Abell	Wilkinson	10	10
Thomas	Walsh	5	5
John	Willis	25	25
Robert	Wall	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>
	Total	<u>1170</u>	<u>£1170</u>

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

5th August 1718 LLC 4

Paybill for Shildon	£821	12s	3¼d
Paybill for Acton	£603	2s	9d
	<u>£1424</u>	<u>13s</u>	<u>¼d</u>

12th August 1718 LLC 4

The Committee from Wrexham sent a note, inclosed was a note for delivery of 16 cakes of silver 1023 oz 8 pw.

Letter from Charles Alsopp inclosed a delivery note for 6 cakes of silver 375 oz 5 pw.

Letter from Jeremiah Hunter with weights of lead sold, 400 pieces to Richard Ridley 27 fother 16 cwt at £8 15s per fother is £242 18s 4d. 200 pieces is 13 fother 20 tun 1 cwt at £8 15s is £122 2s 9d, and 200 pieces sold to Esq. Henry Reay 20 fother 2 ton at £8 15s is £122 5s 10d. Total value £487 6s 11d.

19th August 1718 LLC 4

Ordered. That the treasurer have credit for £7 12s being for the freight of 294 pieces paid to William Raisbeck, from Stockstone (*Stockton*).

26th August 1718 LLC 4

To Arthur Fisher £35 17s, Henry Latemar £9 14s 10d, and John Clark £1, in all £46 11s 10d for 253½ bushels of bone ashes for Newcastle.

2nd September 1718 LLC 4

Mr Haddon reported that he had bought a Bell for the Company's works at Gadlis for £3.

7th January 1719 LLC 4

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants
The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor	
Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor	
Charles Du Bois	Mr Edward Leeds
Mr Arthur Woolley	Mr John Haddon
Dr Edward Wright	Mr Samuel Beachcroft
Mr William Smith	Mr Joseph Heale
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	Mr Nathaniel Matson

20th January 1719 LLC 4

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 14th Day of January 1718 to 13th Jan 1719.

Urban Hall Esq	£11	0s	5d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£11	7s	5d
Dr Edward Wright	£11	4s	8d
Mr John Haddon	£11	7s	2d
Mr Edward Leeds	£5	10s	11d
Mr William Smith	£11	4s	8d
Mr Arthur Woolley	£7	13s	5d
Mr Sam Beachcroft 16/8 & Mr Benjamin Hopkins	£11	11s	4d
	<u>£81</u>	<u>0s</u>	<u>0d</u>

Ditto on the Sub-committee

Dr Edward Wright	£12	16s	3d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£12	16s	3d
Mr John Haddon	£12	16s	3d
Mr Edward Leeds	£5	1s	3d
	<u>£43</u>	<u>10s</u>	<u>0d</u>

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s due at Christmas last

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	11	11		
Mary	Bawne	20	20		
Thomas	Boddington	13	13		
Christopher	Crell deceased	25	25		
Thomas	Cooper deceased	10	10		
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20		
William	Chambers	4	4		
John	Clarke	5	5		
Ann	Chokk	5	5		
Mary	Collard	2	2		
James	Creed	10	10		
Richard	Collet	10	10		
Richard	Diamond	10	10		
Joan	Dant	25	25		

Thomas	Emlin	5	5
Richard	Eames	15	15
Enoch	Floyd	35	35
John	Freame	20	20
Beatrice	Fisher	20	20
Nathanial	Ford	20	20
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10
Thomas	Gould	15	15
Joseph	Grove	40	40
Urban	Hall Esq	20	20
John	Haddon	20	20
Joseph	Hale	10	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	10	10
Thomas	Heale	5	5
Henry	Holloway	15	15
John	Holloway	15	15
Joseph	Hill	24	24
Humphrey	Hill	24	24
John	Hubbard	5	5
Joyce	Issod	10	10
Thomas	Kirby	21	21
John	Knight	12	12
Edward	Leeds	50	50
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	2
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70
Cornelius	Mason deceased	23	23
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Mary	Mason deceased	10	10
Thomas	Martin	15	15
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
Lascells	Metcalfe	20	20
Joseph	Moore	10	10
John	Muchlow	11	11
Jonathan	Mason	11	11
Cornelius	Mason Junr	10	10
William	Ockenden	30	30
Thomas	Oade	5	5
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5
Richard	Parks	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6
John	Rayner deceased	5	5
Joseph	Rawbon junr	5	5
Elizabeth	Stamper	9	9
William	Smith	55	55

Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner deceased	15	15
John	Usher	15	15
Edward	Wright	27	27
Arthur	Woolley	40	40
Abell	Wilkinson	10	10
Thomas	Walsh	5	5
John	Willis	25	25
Robert	Wall	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>
	Total	<u>1175</u>	<u>£1175</u>

The minute books give a total of 1185 shares, Paul Crell owner of 10 shares was missed out. Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

28th April 1719 LLC 4

The treasurer reported the weights of 24 ingots of silver.

Standard	928 lb	10 oz	7 pw	2 gr.
Standard	363 lb	9 oz	7 pw	2 gr.
Standard	108 lb	5 oz	2 pw	8 gr.
Standard	77 lb	1 oz	0 pw	13 gr.

Standard. Value £4,582 1s 0d.

16th June 1719 LLC 4

Paid to Arthur Fisher £35 7s 3d, Henry Latemore £9 3s 4d, John Clark £1 6s 6d, in all £45 17s 1d. in discharge of 251 bushels of bone ashe & 100 casks for Newcastle

14th July 1719 LLC 4

The treasurer reported that he had bought 10 sive bottoms according to the desire of Anthony Barker Viz

2 Courser sort at	8s 6d
4 Middle sort	£1 2s 0d
4 finest sort	<u>£1 6s 0d</u>
	<u>£2 16s 6d</u>

Ordered that John Clark sent them by carrier to Chester

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s due at Midsummer last

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	11	11		
Mary	Bawne	20	20		
Thomas	Boddington	13	13		
Christopher	Crell deceased	25	25		
Thomas	Cooper deceased	10	10		
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20		

William	Chambers	4	4
John	Clarke	5	5
Ann	Chokk	5	5
Mary	Collard	2	2
Paul	Crell	10	10
James	Creed	10	10
Richard	Collet	21	21
Richard	Diamond	10	10
Joan	Dant	25	25
Thomas	Emlin	5	5
Richard	Eames	15	15
Enoch	Floyd	35	35
John	Freame	20	20
Beatrice	Fisher	20	20
Nathanial	Ford	20	20
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10
Thomas	Gould	15	15
Joseph	Grove	40	40
Urban	Hall Esq	20	20
John	Haddon	20	20
Joseph	Heale	10	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	10	10
Thomas	Heale	5	5
Henry	Holloway	15	15
John	Holloway	15	15
Joseph	Hill	24	24
Humphrey	Hill	24	24
John	Hubbard	5	5
Joyce	Issod	10	10
Thomas	Kirby	21	21
John	Knight	12	12
Edward	Leeds	50	50
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	2
Richard	Matthew deceased	70	70
Cornelius	Mason deceased	12	12
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Mary	Mason deceased	10	10
Thomas	Martin	15	15
Lascells	Metcalf	20	20
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
Joseph	Moore	10	10
John	Muchlow	11	11
Jonathan	Mason	11	11
Cornelius	Mason Junr	10	10
William	Ockenden	30	30
Thomas	Oade	5	5

Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5
Richard	Parks	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6
John	Rayner deceased	5	5
Joseph	Rawbon junr	5	5
Elizabeth	Stamper	9	9
William	Smith	55	55
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner deceased	15	15
John	Usher	15	15
Edward	Wright	27	27
Arthur	Woolley	40	40
Abell	Wilkinson	10	10
Thomas	Walsh	5	5
John	Willis	25	25
Robert	Wall	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>
	Total	<u>1185</u>	<u>£1185</u>

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

11th August 1719 LLC 4

Paid to Arthur Fisher £38 18s 0d, Edward Miller £9 16s 6d, in all £48 14s 6d. in discharge of 276 ½ bushels of bone ashe & casks on board the Edinburgh packet, Thomas Gibbs for Scotland.

20th October 1719 LLC 4

Warrant was given the treasurer.

To Repay yourself £21 for so much paid Robert Pigot as a measuring fee on the executing of a new lease of Old Rake.

The Deputy Governor reported that himself and Dr Wright had executed the new lease of Old Rake with Sir Richard Grosvenor for the use and behalf of this Company and had paid Robert Pigot twenty guineas as a measuring fee for the same.

6th January 1720 LLC 4

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants

The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Charles Du Bois

Mr Edward Leeds

Mr Arthur Woolley

Mr John Haddon

Dr Edward Wright

Mr Samuel Beachcroft

Mr William Smith

Mr Joseph Heale

Mr Benjamin Hopkins

Mr Thomas Kirby

19th January 1720 LLC 4

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 15th Day of January 1719 to 13th Jan 1720.

Urban Hall Esq	£11	5s	9d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£12	2s	3d
Dr Edward Wright	£12	0s	3d
Mr John Haddon	£12	2s	3d
Mr William Smith	£12	0s	3d
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	£12	0s	3d
Mr Edward Leeds	£5	15s	9d
Mr Arthur Woolley	£3	13s	3d
	<u>£81</u>	<u>0s</u>	<u>0d</u>

Ditto on the Sub-committee

Dr Edward Wright	£12	13s	9d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£12	13s	9d
Mr John Haddon	£12	13s	9d
Mr Edward Leeds	£5	8s	9d
	<u>£43</u>	<u>10s</u>	<u>0d</u>

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s due at Midsummer last

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	5	5		
Charles	du Bois	20	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	11	11		
Mary	Bawne	20	20		
Thomas	Boddington	13	13		
Christopher	Crell deceased	25	25		
Thomas	Cooper deceased	10	10		
Elizabeth	Clay	20	20		
William	Chambers	4	4		
John	Clarke	5	5		
Ann	Chokk	5	5		
Mary	Collard	2	2		
Paul	Crell	10	10		
James	Creed	10	10		
Richard	Collet	26	26		
Richard	Diamond	10	10		
Joan	Dant	25	25		
Thomas	Emlin	5	5		
Richard	Eames	15	15		
Enoch	Floyd	35	35		
John	Freame	20	20		
Beatrice	Fisher	20	20		
Nathanial	Ford	25	25		
Archibald	Grosvenor	10	10		
Thomas	Gould	15	15		
Joseph	Grove	40	40		
Urban	Hall Esq	20	20		

John	Haddon	20	20
Joseph	Heale	10	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	10	10
Thomas	Heale	5	5
Henry	Holloway	15	15
John	Holloway	15	15
Joseph	Hill	24	24
Humphrey	Hill	24	24
John	Hubbard	5	5
Joyce	Issod	10	10
Thomas	Kirby	21	21
Edward	Leeds	50	50
Joseph	Lacy deceased	2	2
Richard	Matthews deceased	70	70
Cornelius	Mason deceased	12	12
Nathanael	Matson	60	60
Mary	Mason deceased	10	10
Thomas	Martin	15	15
Lascells	Metcalfe	20	20
Gilbert	Molleson	5	5
Joseph	Moore	10	10
John	Muchlow	11	11
Jonathan	Mason	11	11
Cornelius	Mason Junr	10	10
William	Ockenden	30	30
Thomas	Oade	5	5
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	10	10
John	Peirie	5	5
Richard	Parks	5	5
Michael	Russell	6	6
John	Rayner deceased	5	5
Joseph	Rawbon junr	5	5
Elizabeth	Stamper	9	9
William	Smith	55	55
Joseph	Saunders	10	10
John	Tanner deceased	5	5
John	Usher	15	15
Edward	Wright	27	27
Arthur	Woolley	40	40
John	Knight	12	12
Abell	Wilkinson	10	10
Thomas	Walsh	5	5
John	Willis	25	25
Robert	Wall	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>
	Total	<u>1185</u>	<u>£1185</u>

Ordered. That Mr Samuel Davis have credit for a dividend of £10 for ten in his in his name and Mr John Hopkins £5 of five shares in his name.

9th February 1720 LLC 4

150 tuns of lead sold to Joseph Jackson at £8 12s 6d to be delivered at Blagill at the latter end of April.

8th March 1720 LLC 4

The treasurer reported the weights of 18 ingots of silver 1071 lb. 7 oz 19 pw 9 gr. Standard. Value £3322 3s 2d.

5th April 1720 LLC 4

Edward Leeds Junr took the oath appointed by the Charter in open Court before the Deputy Governor and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

Ordered. That John Clark get ready 100 casks of Bone Ash to be shipped to Newcastle for Charles Alsopp the Company's Agent.

24th May 1720 LLC 4

The Court took into consideration the proposition made by Dr Wright for his past services to the Company as Treasurer for about fifteen years and some years in the Copper society in all near twenty years. For which time all receipts & payments have been made by him, all the sales of lead and importing of Bullion in to the Mint and receiving out all coin, all which has amounted to a very great sum besides all the other services by him done and great pains taken to the great benefit of the members of the Company, as is well known to most of them for which at a very small commission or salary a great sum would accrue to him than what he has proposed Viz thirty of the Company's shares & therefore it was resolved.

Resolved.

That Dr Wright have immediate credit for thirty of the Company's reserve shares.

Resolved.

That the remaining forty shares remaining to the Company undisposed of be now disposed of for a very good price which will make the whole number to be divided upon twelve hundred and seventy and the secretary being asked what had been the highest price any share had been sold at answered forty five pounds have been the most any had been transferred, to the date hereof.

Resolved

If any member or members will give fifty pounds per share for the said forty and pay the same to the treasurer for the Company's use. This Court will give direction for the placing them to the credit of such members and the treasurer id hereby ordered and authorised to receive the same.

See Below

The 24th of May 1720

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The Treasurer reported that he had Paid The following Bonds with their Interest to the severall times Mentioned viz^t, As P^o Bond Book

N ^o 1	Thomas Cooper	£100	to 27 July 1718	265:18:—
2	Ditto	206:13:1	5 th June 1709	7:11:8
3	Nath ^l Matson	50:16:4	10 June 1706	53:2:4
4	Rub ^o Mathew	150	5 th Nov ^r 1717	239:5:—
5	John Tyrane	500	23 Mar ^{ch} 1709	10:18:—
10	John Haddon	200	10 Apr ^{il} 1719	322:—
11	Urban Hall Esq ^r	110	3 Nov ^r 1713	83:2:—
16	John Haddon	158	12 June 1719	158:—
19	John Marlow	200	28 Apr ^{il} 1719	245:7:8
20	Nath ^l Matson	200	25 May 1708	226:—
21	Joan Dant	200	26 Feb ^r 1718	312:—

1923:4:8

Also that he had Delivered to the Proprietors & as^t Minutes, Several Medall, with Cases being in all 103 at 5th 9th 12th

29:12:3

Also that he was to have £ for the Discount of £480: Chequar Taken in the Advance

7:3:6

£1960:0:5 money of 5th of the Minutes 1710 & 30th of 1

Also The Interest of 5th of 1000 Bonds

£1960:0:3

A N ^o 1	Dr Edward Wright	£100	to 16 July 1719	63:—
2	Ditto	£100	to 16 July 1719	64:10:—
3	Ditto	£100	to 23 July 1719	67:10:—
4	Isaac Ashby	£50	to 12 Feb ^r 1719	36:10:—
6	John Clarke	£100	to 25 Mar ^{ch} 1719	63:10:—
7	Ditto	£100	to 25 June 1719	64:10:—
8	Ditto	£100	to 25 June 1719	64:10:—
9	Ditto	£100	to 25 June 1719	64:10:—
10	Ditto	£100	to 25 June 1719	64:10:—
11	Ditto	£100	to 25 Mar ^{ch} 1719	61:10:—
12	Ditto	£100	to 25 June 1719	62:10:—

Carryed over £ 678:10:—

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A Brought Over				78 10
N ^o 13	John Clarke	£100	to y ^e 3 rd Nov 1718	88 1
15	Ditto	£50	to 24 th Dec 1719	34 5
17	Ditto	£50	to 24 th Dec 1719	34 5
18	Thomas Laxton	£200	to 22 nd Feb 1718	125
23	Thomas Pittslove	£50	to 5 th Jan 1719	24 10
24	Thomas Cooper	£50	to 6 th Jan 1719	29
1013: 11: -				£ 1013 11
N ^o 5	John Haddon	£100	to y ^e 6 th Nov 1719	73 10
7	Sam: Davis	£100	to y ^e 5 th Dec 1719	64 10
8	Tho: Kirby	£100	to y ^e 11 th Dec 1719	64
12	Jacob Franklyn	£200	to y ^e 13 th Mar 1718	129
14	Ditto	£166	to Octob ^r 1719	125 46
15	John Treame	£100	to 9 th June 1719	61
17	Enoch Lloyd	£100	to 12 th June 1719	70
18	Ditto	£100	to 12 th June 1719	73 10
19	Ditto	£100	to 12 th Dec 1718	68
20	Ditto	£100	to 12 th June 1719	70
870: 14: 6	22 Ditto	£100	to 12 th Dec 1719	70
Paid Richard Diamond principle & Interest for				£ 870 14 6
Warr ^t for Loan to the 21 st of July 1710				£ 33 11 4
paid Michael Russell principle & Interest				
of a Warrant for Loan to y ^e 16 th Feb 1718				£ 243 15
299: 6: 4				£ 299 6 4
And for Postage of Letters from the 7 th August 1711				
to the 7 th of June 1720 Inclusive				
Anno 1711				3 1 6
Ditto 1712				5 12 7
Ditto 1713				5 3 1
Ditto 1714				6 16 2
Ditto 1715				5 8 6
Ditto 1716				5 16 3
Ditto 1717				5 2 9
Ditto 1718				4 13 3
Ditto 1719				4 14 2
49: - 11 Ditto 1720				2 8 8
				£ 49 00 11

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Ordered

That The Treasurer have Credit for The Several Disbursements as follows

Rent from the 29 th of Septemb 1708 to the 29 th Sept 1720 being 12 Years at 12 ^{/-} p ann	144
Fire and Candles at 12 ^{/-} p ann	30
12 years Box Money at 12 ^{/-} p ann	30
12 years Charge at the Mint	24
12 years Charge at the Excise office	14
4 years Charge at the Exchequer	95
The Last Welsh Journey as before	67 4 9

404:4:9

404:4:9

Also Disbursements in Entertaining sundry Persons for The Service of The Comp^y at sundry Times in the Space of Twelve years and not Brought to Acc^t Vizt, R Rich Grosvenor & Several Times etc^r Rimmer R Rich Moyston & at D^r Place & Donback R Moyston of Denbode & Capt Douglas & at the Rimmer and Donback Esq^r Pennant & Several Times D^r Hen. Glegg & Lancel Lord of Trevelyan Esq^r Hamilton & R Pigott Auth^r Barker John Lloyd attorney at Law Jonathan Robinson, Collector of Customs & Excise John Newton Jere Hunter & many other persons & Occasions need to insert as particular is set up

The 1 st Bill	2:9
Ditto	2:11:6
Ditto	14:3
Ditto	2:13
Ditto	1:17:6
Ditto	18
Ditto	2:17
Ditto	14
Ditto	7
Ditto	10:12
Ditto	3:13
Ditto	2:12
Ditto	7:2:6
Ditto	3:11
Ditto	14:11
Ditto	14:11
Ditto	8:1
Ditto	1:17:6
Ditto	6:1

Tarred over

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Brought over	45. 6. 12
Ditto	1. 3. 9
Ditto	6. 8
Ditto	1. 17.
Ditto	16. 10
Ditto	1. 4. 6
Ditto	11. 6
Ditto	1. 4
Ditto	4. 11
Ditto	11. 6
Ditto	2. 3. 10
Ditto	9. 4. 10
Ditto	16. 9
Ditto	8.
Ditto	16. 18. 3
Ditto	13.
Ditto	10.
Ditto	7. 6
Ditto	17. 6
Ditto	3. 7.
96. 4. 6 Ditto	19. 6. 2

96. 4. 6
 19. 6. 2
 96. 4. 6

And also for Disbursements following

To sundry Charges in obtaining & Executing the Lease
 From the Duke of Queensbury of the Mines in Scotland
 To D^r Nasmith 10. 15. - To S^d
 To J^r Montgomery Esq^r 10. 15. -
 To James Nasmith 10. 15. -
 To Expenses at severall meetings
 of the Above Gentlemen and all 13. 11. -
 Signing to the Seven Men 45. 16. -

Also of the Lease From the Earl of Mortony
 and Maney Expenses Thrown with the P^r 15. 9. 6.
 Earl & others &c at Signing

Given and Expended at the Exche office
 at the time of Exchequer bills bearing 13. 4. -

Discount for the continuance of y^e Returns 74. 9. 6.
 Carried Over 74. 9. 6.

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Brought over	74 9 6
Also Sundry Expenses in attending office of Ordinance at the Receiving the Money in Severall Contracts	3 19 -
Also for two Warrants for Imp. Distinction on the Pin one from James & one from R. George	10 13 0
For five bottoms for Waldo	1 10 -
For a Lamb, grading Glass & other. Recd. to Lifford	2 10 6
Given Councilman Rowlands care	2 3 -
For Printing 200 Papers given away at Generall Court of The Mine Adventure & Expenses and Porter who gave them	2 19 7
Given R. R. Grosvenors Care. Each have hosen and with him at his house and Sealed the Severall Leases	1 - -
For Sundry Small Disbursements. Tow ^{ch} upon Great Numbers of Occasions on y ^e Comp. affair at Cofford house. Each have	7 15 -
a Tin box for Writing	8 -
an old Station bill	12 6
	<u>£ 110 - 7 110 - 17</u>

£110:0:7

To	Eaton the attorney for Severall attendances at Effox house	2 2 -
Also for Petty Disbursements paid from The 31 st of December 1715 to the 31 st May 1720 as y ^e John Parkes Book		81 6 6 1/2
And for Sundry Medicines sent into Wales for the Sick Servants, at the Smelting house		4 10 -
		<u>87:18:6 1/2</u>

31st May 1720 LLC 4

The treasurer reported that according to the minutes of the last Court he had received of the following persons Viz.

Urban hall Esq. 5 shares

Mr Enoch Floyd 5 shares

Dr Edward Wright 9 shares

Mr John Haddon 5 shares

Mr Benjamin Hopkins 4 shares

Mr William Smith 4 shares

Mr Arthur Woolley 4 shares

Mr Edward Leeds 4 shares

In all forty shares at £50 per share £2000

The Court taking into consideration the present state of the Company and finding the Bullion made at their several works in England, Scotland & Wales to amount a very good value, and which has been coined into the Current money of this Kingdom. They were of opinion that as that greater quantity might be produced yearly if the joint stock of the Corporation were augmented to the great advantage of the nation by increasing the silver coin now grown so scarce and so much wanted.

And in order to it and for the greater care of the purchasers of the same the present twelve hundred and seventy shares shall be augmented into five thousand and eighty shares which will reduce the present price, that people of smaller fortunes than will purchase the great priced stocks may have opportunity of employing their smaller sums to advantage in this. That two thousand two hundred shares be added to them at twenty pound per share as an additional stock to the capital of this Company.

That this affair be taken into consideration the next Court and that the members of this Court do in the mean time consider of it in order to determine the same in such a manner as may then be judged more convenient.

3rd June 1720 LLC 5

The Court took into consideration the affair mentioned in the minutes of the last Court relating to the augmentation of the Company's Joint Stock and after mature deliberation it was Resolved as follows.

1. That the 1,270 shares now subsisting and divided upon shall be divided into 5,080 for the reason mentioned in the last Court.
2. That 1,920 new shares be added to be taken by any member of this Company at £20 per share, which will make up the whole number of shares 7,000.
3. That for as much as the Company affairs may not call for the whole money at once and for the case of purchasers of the said 1920 shares, the payment of the same shall be made as follows Viz. Six pounds per share paid down, seven pounds in 3 months and seven pounds in 4 months after that.
4. That the payment be made to the present treasurer Dr Edward Wright and that proper receipts be given for the same approved by this Court and that the Christmas dividend be allowed in the last payment.
5. That the dividend on the 1270 dividend shares at Midsummer next shall not exceed 5 shillings per share.
6. That the dividend at Christmas next shall not be less than 10 shillings per share on all the 7000 shares and from thence to be always equal dividends made on the same number 7000.
7. That a general Court be held on Tuesday next at Pewters Hall in Lime Street at 10 in the forenoon in order to Communicate these resolutions.

7th June 1720 LLC 5

A General Court

The Above resolutions were presented to the Proprietors at this General Court.

7th June 1720 LLC 5

Henry Barne & James Creed took the oath appointed by the Charter and were admitted members of this Company.

8th June 1720 LLC 5

The Resolutions of the General Court of the 7th instant being read it was Ordered. That the treasurer deliver the following receipts to the several persons voluntarily purchasing the 1920 new shares & that the Common Seal be affixed thereunto in the presence of the treasurer and any two of the assistants.

198 receipts of 5 shares per receipt is 990 shares at £6 per share £5940

193 receipts of 10 shares per receipt is 930 shares at £6 per share £5580

Ordered. That the secretary do immediately give credit to every proprietors account of the 1270 shares for the quadruple number every one now stands credited with and that he doth forthwith give the following notice to them of the same and that the Sub-Committee examine the same.

The Governor & Company for Smelting down Lead with Pitcoal & Seacoal in a General Court held 7th inst have agreed & resolved. That for the reasons in the minutes thereof expressed every share of the present stock shall be quadrupled and this is to give you notice that whereas you have in your name _____ shares they are now altered and made _____ shares in the Company's books. That 5 shillings per share will be paid at Midsummer on each share & at Xmas not less than 10 shillings.

21st June 1720 LLC 5

A warrant was given the treasurer.

To Arthur Fisher £35 19s, Henry Latemer £9 3s, John Clark £1 6s, in all £46 8s for 255 bushells Bone Ash & 100 casks shipped for Newcastle.

The treasurer was ordered to buy £500 South Sea Stock this day for tomorrows transfer on the best terms he can on the Company account.

28th June 1720 LLC 5

The treasurer reported that he had according to the order of the last Court bought £500 South Sea Stock at £755. per C. Cost £3775.

5th July 1720 LLC 5

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 5s due at Midsummer last

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	20	5		
Charles	du Bois	80	20		
Samuel	Beachcroft	44	11		
Mary	Bawne	48	12		
Thomas	Boddington	52	13		
Christopher	Crell deceased	100	25		
Thomas	Cooper deceased	40	10		
Elizabeth	Clay	80	20		
William	Chambers	16	4		
John	Clarke	20	5		
Ann	Chokk	20	5		
Mary	Collard	8	2		
Paul	Crell	40	10		
James	Creed	40	10		
Richard	Collard	104	26		

Richard	Diamond	40	10	
Joan	Dant	100	25	
Thomas	Emlin	20	5	
Richard	Eames	55	13	15
Enoch	Floyd	168	42	
John	Freame	80	20	
Beatrice	Fisher	80	20	
Nathanial	Ford	100	25	
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	10	
Thomas	Gould	65	16	5
Joseph	Grove	160	40	
Urban	Hall Esq	108	27	
John	Haddon	108	27	
Joseph	Heale	40	10	
Benjamin	Hopkins	56	14	
Thomas	Heale	20	5	
Henry	Holloway	60	15	
John	Holloway	60	15	
Joseph	Hill	96	24	
Humphrey	Hill	96	24	
John	Hubbard	20	5	
Joyce	Issod	40	10	
Thomas	Kirby	84	21	
John	Knight	48	12	
Edward	Leeds	224	56	
Joseph	Lacy deceased	8	2	
Edward	Leeds Junr	20	5	
Richard	Matthews deceased	280	70	
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48	12	
Nathanael	Matson	240	60	
Mary	Mason deceased	40	10	
Thomas	Martin	60	15	
Lascells	Metcalf	80	20	
Gilbert	Molleson	20	5	
Joseph	Moore	40	10	
John	Muchlow	44	11	
Jonathan	Mason	44	11	
Cornelius	Mason Junr	40	10	
William	Ockenden	120	30	
Thomas	Oade	20	5	
Clement	Plumsted	40	10	
Mary	Perkins	40	10	
John	Peirie	20	5	
Richard	Parks	20	5	
Michael	Russell	24	6	
John	Rayner deceased	20	5	

Joseph	Rawbon junr	20	5
Elizabeth	Stamper	36	9
William	Smith	216	54
Joseph	Saunders	40	10
John	Usher	80	20
Edward	Wright	272	68
Arthur	Woolley	168	42
Abell	Wilkinson	40	10
Thomas	Walsh	20	5
John	Willis	100	25
Robert	Wall	80	20
William	Woolley	40	10
John	Hopkins	<u>20</u>	<u>5</u>
	Total	<u>5080</u>	<u>£1270</u>

19th July 1720 LLC 5

Ordered. That the secretary deliver the following orders of this Court to the treasurer.

Mr Treasurer

It is this day ordered by the Court of Assistants of the Governor & Company for smelting down lead &c., that you buy or procure to be bought in London or elsewhere 2 or 300 fadders of lead at the best price you can for the service of the Company and report your proceedings.

The Secretary Reported that he had agreed with Mr Collyer in Nagshead Court for the Warehouse under his dwelling house for a year certain at £15 per annum which commenced last midsummer.

20th July 1720 LLC 5

A General Court

The Governor opened the Court as follows.

Gentlemen

The unanimity of the last General Court and the prudent dispatch of the business thereof has had so good an effect as to be the occasion of this in so short a time after and which we conceive will be greatly to the advantage of all the present members and lay a lasting foundation for those who shall come afterwards if the business of it be issued with the same General Consent and the same Confidence in and Consideration for the opinion & conduct of the Court of Assistants, who have very carefully weighed and maturely considered what they have ordered to be now laid before you; and which they are very confident can be supported without impairing the Capital or rather an addition to it, besides what is proposed to be divided such are the great and many privileges of the Royal Charter granted to this corporation which may be read at this time for your information and by which you will easily conceive some very valuable privileges the particulars whereof need not be descended into.

You will see by the Charter you are neither limited to any certain sums of your capital, nor to any mode of increasing it, but both are left to do it as the Company may find most fitting and convenient for them.

And therefore as the Great Privileges granted tend so much to our advantage we have thought it our Duty to put you in mind of it, and to make a further proportionable augmentation of stock suitable to so great privileges and which may effectually prosecute those good ends & purposes of the Charter and therefore have ordered the following resolutions of the Court of Assistants to be communicated to you for your concurrence. Viz.

Resolved

That 3,000 shares be added to the 7,000 now subsisting which will make the whole number 10,000 shares and that the 3,000 shares shall be taken by those members who shall voluntarily pay £50 per share for the same after the manner following viz. £12 10s down, £12 10s every 3 months after upon receipt of the same under the Common Seal of the Company, as the Court of Assistants may think proper.

Resolved

That the dividend on all the 10,000 shall not be less than 20 shillings at Christmas next, and which shall be allowed in the payments of the new shares, and also the dividend of the Midsummer following what ever the Court of Assistants appoint and think convenient to be made on the said 10,000 shares.

There are many reasons which have induced the Court of Assistants to choose this way of augmenting the capital rather than by calls to the like value.

1. All persons may not equally be provided to pay in such calls as Widows &c.
2. The guardians of orphans and executors not being members of the Company cannot be obliged by the Bye Laws the Company are empowered to make and execute to pay the same.
3. By this method no member is obliged to be concerned further than he is already or in what further degree he pleases and yet every member as well as those that do not, as those that do, are equally benefited according to the interest and share they have and the Company's occasions more fully answered.

To all which the General Court agreed.

It was Resolved

That the disposition of the 3000 shares be left to the Court of Assistants. And that the thanks of this Court be given to them for their good conduct & prudent management.

The financial situation at this time was in turmoil due to the actions of "The South Sea Company"

The South Sea Company was the invention of Robert Harley (Duke of Oxford) Lord Treasurer in 1711, with the aim of clearing the national debt. The war of Spanish Succession, which began in 1701, had resulted in the National debt spiralling out of control in excess of ten million pounds. The principle was that for buying the National debt the company would receive 6 per cent interest from the Government.

The Company was also granted trading privileges/rights with Spanish Colonies in South America. From the point of view of trade the Company were remarkably unsuccessful there first ship travelling to South America in 1717, six years after the Company was first formed, and in 1718 war again broke out between Spain and England.

In 1720 a plan was formed to take over the whole of the Country's National Debt, the plan was put to Parliament and despite a counter proposal from the Bank of England the House of Lords approved the plan on the 7th April 1720. The Company's stock began to rise rapidly from being just over £100 a share it had risen to over £1000 by the end of June 1720. At this time the value of the stock began to fall as investors, took their chance to sell assuming that the value of the shares was unlikely to rise further. Various interventions took place in an attempt to boost the value but the "bubble had burst" and the value of the shares continued to fall.

The Government persuaded the Bank of England to step in and stabilise the situation Parliamentary Texts give the following on 21st December 1720: —

"The House resolv'd itself into a grand Committee, and Mr Robert Walpole laid before them a new Scheme to restore publick Credit, which was, in Substance, to ingraft nine Millions of South-Sea Stock into the Bank of England, and the like Sum into the East-India Company, upon the Conditions therein mention'd. Mr Hutcheson, and other Members, made some Exceptions to that Scheme; but none offering a better Remedy for the present Misfortunes, Mr Farrer, the Chairman, was directed to move the House, and it was accordingly order'd, That the said Committee have Power to receive Proposals

from the Bank of England, the South-Sea Company, and the East-India Company, towards restoring publick Credit."

On February 3rd 1721 Walpoles Bill "For ingrafting Part of the Capital Stock of the S. S. Company into the Bank and Part into the East-India Company" was read for the first time. The Bill was read for the second time on the 7th February and was carried 237 votes to 139. The directors of the South Sea Company were taken into custody, and an Act "For the preventing the infamous Practice of Stock Jobbing" was passed.

*Sources: British History Online: The History and Proceedings of the House of Commons: volume 6: 1714-1727
Memoirs of Extraordinary Popular Delusions and the Madness of Crowds, Charles Mackay; pub1852.*

26th July 1720 LLC 5

The Court took into consideration the services of Anthony Barker & likewise Thomas Barker his son the Company's Agent in Wales.

Resolved

That the sum Of £150 per annum be allowed Anthony Barker as a salary & £100 per annum allowed his son Thomas Barker as a salary Diet & Housekeeping included to commence at Midsummer last.

Whereas the General Court held the 20th inst., concurred with the Court of Assistants to Add 3000 shares to the joint stock of this corporation it was this day.

Resolved

That 500 shares of the 3000 shares shall remain as Maiden Shares to this Company for the service & benefit of the Company and to be disposed of as this Court shall direct & not otherways.

George Archer took the Oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

2nd August 1720 LLC 5

The treasurer reported that he had received of John Clark for the first payment on the 3000 second additional shares at £12 10s per share £37500

9th August 1720 LLC 5

John Crow signed the declaration in lieu of the oath, appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

The treasurer reported that he had bought £500 of the 1st Subscription of South Sea Stock at £595, cost £2975.

Ordered. That it be left to the Sub-committee to take a house anywhere that they think may be commodious for the Company's use.

16th August 1720 LLC 5

Edward Randolph took the oath, appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

Richard Gerry, Jacob Wyan Esq, Harman & Deborah Fisher signed the declaration in lieu of the oath, appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

The treasurer reported that he had paid for the 3rd payment of £500 South Sea Subscription, £150.

He also reported the weight of 15 ingots of silver weight 883 lb. 10 oz 3 pw 9 gr. Standard. Value £2739 18s 6d.

30th August 1720 LLC 5

A warrant was given the treasure

To	Arthur Fisher	£35	6s	9d
	Edward Miller	£9	3s	4d
	John Clarke	£1	13s	0d
		£46	3s	1d

In discharge for 257 Bushel's of Bone ash & 100 casks & shipping charges shipped on board Capt Langar for Wanlockhead.

Richard Hall took the oath & Judith Cant signed the declaration in lieu of the oath, appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

6th September 1720 LLC 5

William Every & John Oxden took the oath, appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

13th September 1720 LLC 5

The treasurer reported that he had executed a writing of agreement with George Greaves dated the 6th September 1720 the contents are as follows.

George Greaves having a brother who received the dues for the Duke of Rutland of most of the mines in Derbyshire and who knows the most valuable works there and the customs and manner of taking ground, has given him orders to take at 3 several places 100 meers at each place at the forefields of good old works and enter them in the Bar Masters Books which give sufficient Title and will cost but 12d per meer entering. Now he proposes this shall be done for the Company the following terms viz. The Company to pay 12d per meer for as many meers as shall be taken up and no other obligation or charge. Unless they are approved by their agent and on his approbation to give the said George Geaves and his brother 50 guineas, for which said sum they will do the Company all further service in the Country they can, but in case Thomas Greaves shall be found and thought fit to act as an agent for the company to have a reasonable salary for the same. This Thomas Greaves lives at Bakewell is a receiver of all the tenths as was his father before him about 32 years of age hath a great acquaintance and well beloved in the Country and well acquainted with the affairs there of to whom Thomas Baker may be recommended.

4th October 1720 LLC 5

This Court taking into their consideration the present state of the National Credit and being desirous to contribute all they can to the support of it; do now Order

That as few and small drafts be made by the treasurer upon the Bank as possible, but on the contrary to throw in all the money he can into it and that he endeavour to get what ingots of British Silver the Company have by then or shall receive from their several works in Britain forthwith coined and the money carried to the Bank; also that in order to diminish demand upon the Bank or any other fund of credit he do receive the £12 10s per share which becomes due 30th inst in $\frac{1}{4}$ part of the Company's receipts for that sum if desired by any person then possessed of the said receipts. In case the number falls even if not the person making it so by paying the difference in Bank of England or other good Credit & so for the 3rd & 4th payment which may be adjusted at the same time if desired, and that the treasurer shall have credit for the value of the said receipts as so much cash and that the receipts so received shall remain as Maiden shares to the Company.

25th October 1720 LLC 5

That Jethro Norman be made drawer for the same being the Company agent and left in his hand for the use of their mines in Derbyshire.

8th November 1720 LLC 5

The treasurer reported that he had sold John Johnson 50 fother of lead at £12 per fother to pay ready money to be shipped on board the 'Queen of The Romans' Capt. John Vermash of Flanders free of all charges.

Hannah, Elizabeth & Sarah Fisher signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

15th November 1720 LLC 5

Sold Robert Hull 15 fother of Scotch lead at £10 15s fother.

Sold Peter Hambly 30 fother of lead at £12 5s fother to be shipped to Flanders.

The weight of lead sold to John Johnson was 50 tons 6 cwt 1 qtr 1 lb. at £12 per fother, value £603 16s 6d.

22nd November 1720 LLC 5

The treasurer reported that he had paid for Customs &c., on 30 tuns of lead for Flanders sold Peter Hambly, £27 8s.

The weight of lead sold to Peter Hambly (15th Nov) was 30 ton 4 cwt 16 lb. at £12 5s, value £370 2s 6d.

Ordered. The secretary attend the Board of Commissioners Forfeited Estates &c. tomorrow with the representation of the miners &c. about the detaining the water from the Gins of Shildon by John Ord and to report the answer to the Board.

29th November 1720 LLC 5

Secretary reported That he had attended the Commissioners of the Forfeited Estates in their representation which being read before them. They ordered a summons to be sent to Mr John Oar for to appear before them on Monday last which accordingly he did; but denied the fact of the representation. If any such thing was done it was without his order and knowledge, but at last did remember that there was a passage through his grounds for the water. And that he would write to his agent in the country to let free the water that it might have its free course to Shildon and all other grievances were referred to the Commissioners agent Mr Teux.

Mr John Hopkins having made a Bill of Sale of his five shares he stood possessed of in the Joint Stock of & for Certain Royal Mines Copper & other works vested in William Monson & William Thompson Esq & John Linten Gent. by Indenture Tripartite bearing date 15th June 1693. And by other subsequent deeds and methods unto Thomas Martin of London Goldsmith & Mr Thomas Martin offering to make a Bill of Sale of the said five shares to this corporation (which will complete that whole Interest in the Company) on condition that the said Thomas Martin have immediate credit given him in the Company's books for twenty shares of the present stock it was.

Ordered. That upon Mr Thomas Martin executing such a Bill of sale to the Corporation the secretary give him credit for twenty shares of this Company's stock & that the treasurer report what is done in this affaire. And it appearing that there remains due to the said John Hopkins upon the balance of his account to the 24th June last concerning the said five shares £6 4s 7d it was Ordered. That a warrant be given on the treasurer to pay him the same, which was done accordingly.

The Secretary Reported that he had attended the Commissioners of the Forfeited Estates with the Representation which being read before them. They ordered a summons to be sent to Mr John Oard for to appear before them on Monday last, which accordingly he did, but denied the fact of the representation. If any such thing was done it was without his order & knowledge but at last did he remember that there was a passage through his grounds for the water. And that he would write to his agent in the Country to set free the water that it might have its free

course to Shildon. And all other grievances were referred to the Commissioners Agent Mr Teux.

The treasurer reported the weights and fineness of the last 8 ingots of silver, 481 lb. 3 oz 6 pw 16 gr. Standard, value £1491 15s.

20th December 1720 LLC 5

Capt. Edward Hankin signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

3rd January 1721 LLC 5

Warrants were signed & given the treasurer for a dividend of 20 shillings per share to the several proprietors due at Christmas last.

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	20	20		
George	Archer	10	10		
Charles	du Bois	80	80		
Samuel	Beachcroft	44	44		
Thomas	Boddington	42	42		
Isaac	Boddington	10	10		
Henry	Barne	10	10		
Christopher	Crell deceased	100	100		
Thomas	Cooper deceased	40	40		
Elizabeth	Clay	80	80		
John	Clarke	82	82		
Ann	Chokk	20	20		
Mary	Collard	8	8		
Paul	Crell	40	40		
James	Creed	163	163		
Richard	Collet	104	104		
John	Crow	20	20		
Judith	Cant	8	8		
Richard	Diamond	50	50		
Joan	Dant	100	100		
Thomas	Emlin	20	20		
Richard	Eames	55	55		
William	Every	10	10		
Enoch	Floyd	133	133		
John	Freame	80	80		
Nathanial	Ford	100	100		
Sarah	Fisher	30	30		
Deborah	Fisher	30	30		
Hannah	Fisher	30	30		
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	40		
Thomas	Gould	70	70		
Joseph	Grove	54	54		
Richard	Gerrey	54	54		
John	Gopsill	10	10		

John	Garret	10	10
Urban	Hall Esq	108	108
John	Haddon	108	108
Joseph	Heale	40	40
Benjamin	Hopkins	56	56
Thomas	Hale	20	20
Henry	Holloway	60	60
John	Holloway	50	50
Joseph	Hill	96	96
Humphrey	Hill	96	96
Beatrice	Harman	11	11
Edward	Hankin	53	53
John	Hubbard	20	20
Richard	Hall	10	10
Joyce	Issod	40	40
Thomas	Kirby	84	84
John	Knight	48	48
Edward	Leeds	204	204
Edward	Leeds Junr	20	20
Peter	De Lannoy	15	15
Richard	Matthews deceased	280	280
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48	48
Nathanael	Matson	240	240
Mary	Mason deceased	40	40
Thomas	Martin	20	20
Lascells	Metcalf	80	80
Gilbert	Molleson	20	20
Joseph	Moore	40	40
John	Muchlow	44	44
Jonathan	Mason	44	44
Cornelius	Mason Junr	40	40
William	Ockenden	120	120
Thomas	Oades	20	20
John	Oxdon	6	6
Clement	Plumsted	30	30
Mary	Perkins	40	40
John	Peirie	20	20
Richard	Parks	20	20
Michael	Russell	24	24
John	Rayner deceased	20	20
Joseph	Rawbon junr	20	20
Elizabeth	Stamper	36	36
William	Smith	190	190
Joseph	Saunders	40	40
Jonathan	Scarth	4	4
John	Usher	80	80

Edward	Wright	180	180
Arthur	Woolley	148	148
Abell	Wilkinson	40	40
Thomas	Walsh	20	20
John	Willis	100	100
Robert	Wall	80	80
Jacob	Wyan	10	10
William	Woolley	40	40
	Total	<u>5080</u>	<u>5080</u>

4th January 1721 LLC 5

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 13th Day of January 1720 to 3rd Jan 1721.

Urban Hall Esq	£10 4s 6d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£11 12s 6d
Dr Edward Wright	£11 7s 3d
Mr Edward Leeds	£11 12s 6d
Mr John Haddon	£10 13s 0d
Mr William Smith	£11 7s 3d
Mr Arthur Woolley	£2 15s 9d
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	<u>£11 7s 3d</u>
	<u>£81 0s 0d</u>

Ditto on the Sub-committee

Dr Edward Wright	£10 3s 9d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£10 3s 9d
Mr John Haddon	£10 3s 9d
Mr Edward Leeds	<u>£9 3s 9d</u>
	<u>£39 15s 0d</u>

5th January 1721 LLC 5

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and twelve assistants
The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Charles Du Bois	Mr Edward Leeds
Mr Arthur Woolley	Mr John Haddon
Dr Edward Wright	Mr Samuel Beachcroft
Mr William Smith	Dr Thomas Walsh
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	Mr John Toms
Mr Edward Leeds junr	Mr James Creed

24th January 1721 LLC 5

The Court considering the continuation of the low estate of credit & consequently scarcity of money do think it proper for the ease of the proprietors of the last added shares to postpone the 3rd payment thereon, which would become due the 30th instant for 3 months & then to consider according to the circumstances of the time.

31st January 1721 LLC 5

Paid to James Longar £9 for the freight of 450 pieces of lead at Leith.

7th February 1721 LLC 5

£70 1s 6d had been paid to the Commissioners for Forfeited Estates. In full for dues of ore delivered to Charles Alsopp.

18th April 1721 LLC 5

Sold to John Johnson 60 fothers of lead at £11 10s fother (actual weight 60 fother 19 lb., value £690)

25th April 1721 LLC 5

The treasurer was to repay himself £54 16s 6d for the Customs & shipping charges on 60 tuns of lead for Flanders.

The secretary brought in the weight of 250 great & 183 small pieces of lead sold John Johnson quantity 1170 cwt 19 lb is 60 fother 19 lb at £11 190s per fother £690.

The Court considering the continuation of the low estate of credit & consequently the scarcity of money, doth think it proper for the ease of the proprietors of the last added shares to postpone the 3rd payment thereon which would become due the 30th instant to the 30th next month.

9th May 1721 LLC 5

The following warrants were given the secretary.

To Arthur Fisher, £35 2s 9d, Henry Latemar £4 11s 8d, Edward Miller £4 11s 8d, John Clark £1 6s 6d, for 249 bushells of bone ash & 100 casks, & shipping charges sent to Newcastle.

To Francis Cook £17 for freight of 256 pieces of small lead at Wales.

John Clarke Reported that he had shipped on board the 'Clement & Margaret' William Whitaker master for Newcastle 100 casks of Bone Ash to Jere Hunter.

16th May 1721 LLC 5

John Taylor signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

23rd May 1721 LLC 5

Mary Brown signed the declaration in lieu of the oath, appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a members of this Company.

6th June 1721 LLC 5

The Court considering the scarcity of money deadness of trade and loss of public credit. Resolved

That the 3rd payment upon the 2nd additional shares which stood adjourned to the 30th May last be received in shares from all that desire it & where the number of shares falls even and will allow it.

Ordered. That the secretary give each proprietor a receipt acknowledging the quantity of Stock they are to have credit for in the Company's books and let them know that they shall have warrants for the Xmas & Midsummer dividends together.

Mr Creed made a report from the Gentlemen appointed to visit to the Company's works in Wales & Derbyshire &c. which he read & delivered into the Court and as follows Gentlemen.

We left London the 10th April 1721 and in the evening about 7 on Saturday the 15th we arrived at Gadlis, the badness of the roads having made the journey more tedious than ordinary.

On Monday we viewed the Cupula and works and approved very well of the addition made to the workhouse &c. with the new smelting furnaces by which the Company is enabled to enlarge their smelting &c. The largeness and the conveniences of which with the stock of materials may without boasting be said to exceed any in Great Britain many degrees there is

reckoned to be a stock of bones about 80 Tuns, of Bricks 60,000, coal there and at the pit 2,000 Tuns, lead ready smelted and in Litharge &c. 500 Tuns, ore there and on the grass near 1,000 Tuns, with a suitable proportion of all stores and materials, the like sight and value not to be met with in any lead works perhaps in the world and of which we took repeated views and made some assays of ore and lead for silver and what we cannot omit, is the management and regulation of this great affair by the care and industry of Anthony Barker and son, is to our entire satisfaction we cannot but think they are extraordinarily qualified for and very faithfully do discharge such a trust.

Our next enquiry was at Halken Mountain, and the Company works under Sir Richard Grosvenor, where we found they still get ore on the East End of Pant y Pwl Dwr Rake and at the West end have a fine large vein, lately discovered, in which have got several Tuns of ore and have thirty meers of fresh ground before us they are sinking a Wind shaft in order to carry on this hopeful work.

The Old Rake towards the East has afforded a cross vein which tis hoped will prove of good consequence, at that end of the rake and more Westward they were getting very fine ore at 5 or 6 shafts, the Swallows continuing to take the water's tho the season was so extreme wet so well that tis not doubted that valuable rake will be rendered capable of working at much deeper levels than ever has been yet done and which they doubt will afford great quantities of ore.

At the Long Rake there is a shaft sunk at the West end near where 2 veins are supposed to meet and is believed very likely to discover one of them if not both.

From thence we proceeded to the Silver Rake and so on to Pen y Ffordd Newydd Rake on which is a very hopeful work and several Tuns of fine ore upon the Bank lately gotten and a fine open shak lately come to which will much facilitate the procedure therein.

Then we viewed Sir John Egerton's liberty's Sir George Mostyn's and Captain Pennant's where they are going on with several hopeful works, getting ore in most of them the farm very reasonable and the liberty's large, and very promising. We proceeded to Roger Mostyn's large liberty which is at the West end of a very great work mentioned in Giraldus Cambriensis and still continues to provide a very great quantity of ore. There is got about twenty five Tuns of ore at Tumane and is very hopeful and so on for two miles together, till we came to the Great Flat at the West end of Trelogan which has been wrought about 500 yards in length and breadth, tho non of them are reckoned to be 20 yards deep because of the water before this level was brought up from this Great Flat to Peirsons Old Shaft is about 400 yards and from thence to the forefield near 200 yards so that this rich ore is discovered for above 1,000 yards in length and the vein only wrought in one single drift for air for shafts and sumps in which drifts the ore the ore holds at several breadths the least being very rich, viz. three quarters of a yard, and from that width eight foot, and at the very forefield four foot wide, setting strongly forward in Mr Perry's lands, where we are sinking a shaft, and have all her liberty and Sir John Conway's before us on long lease and easy farm, in short that work is so great that old Mr Norman the Company Under Steward there declared that not one miner in a 1,000 ever saw such a work, and which must be a very lasting one, he is a Derbyshire man always bred to the business and about 70 years of age, and he has known all the considerable works that have been in his time, however we thought the best way of making you sensible of the values of this work would be to have an estimate made of its produce, and which according to A Barker's best calculation would this quarter viz. From Ladyday to Midsummer produce 500 Tuns of ore which is not only very rich in lead but is found to yield about 15 ounces per Tun of silver and the ore got in an average at about 9s per Tun which together with the farm and carriage to the smelt house he reckons 40s per Tun to be the most it can stand in there which is viz.

To 500 Tons of ore		By 500 Tons of ore worth	
at 40s per Ton	£1,000	£5 15s per Ton	£2,875
Being in one quarter the		Produce thereof in lead	
profit on the same will be	£3,025	being 325 Tons at 9 per	
as per contra making		Ton may be profit 20s	£325
the Balance	<u>£4,025</u>	of which 300 Tons being	

refined and yield 15 oz	
per Ton silver is profit	
10 oz at 5s 6d per oz	<u>£825</u>
	<u>£4.025</u>

And this mine in Anthony Barker's and many of the oldest and best workmen's opinion, is likely to hold it, and continue this for a great while and may and is likely to exceed and grow better as wors, (*worst?*) and fall short so that their is good reason to hope this work alone will produce twelve thousand pounds per annum according to said and above estimate.

In our return from thence we came by Bryndigree where a straight shaft is sunk under the rich works which has been those and where Esquire Mostyn of Pembed told us his grandfather had 1,800 Tuns of round ore at one time upon the bank, then we came to Windmill Field in the same liberty Viz. Sir Rogers where they had got some very fine ore in a hopeful vein, and we heard before we came away they had got above a Tun more.

The Company coal work is about a mile from Gadlis the road way, and afforded a very fine sight, not only for the quantity of very fine coal on the Bank, but also for the quantity of fresh ground all round which insures a lasting work there, and which is the more to be valued as coals are become scarcer and dearer in those parts nor must we omit that by the help of a Sough already carried up to a part of it and the prospect of a swallow above, tis like to be wrought without gins and horses which are generally used in such works, here is a convenient smithy and store house and plenty of all manor of utensils for so considerable a works they were sinking a pit in Mr Lloyds lands, and another at the sough shaft at latter they came to and cut through the coal before we came away, and found it was firm clean and good as in any part of the work and held its full thickness viz. a yard and three quarters.

We were welcomed into the Country and invited by the Gentlemen as usual, we found the ways so very bad by reason of the extreme wet, that it was very difficult to move to the Mountain in the coach so prevailed with Esq Mostyn at Kilken to accept our taking breakfast there & dinner at Penbedw, and the visits paid Esq Edwards and Esq Pennant were on horseback, before our departure we visited the Gentlemen at Gadlis and had the company of Esq Mostyn of Penbedw, Kilken and Calcot, Esq Lloyd of Halkin his brother Wynne Esq Pennant of Bagilt our Landlord Panton and son Parson Price and several others, who wished prosperity to the Company's affairs, and health to the Governor and the rest of the Court to whom also they presented there services, Esquire Edwards & Esq Williams sent there good wishes and service, but were not well enough to come, the Gentlemen that came were very well pleased with their reception and entertainment the next but one being Saturday the 29th April we left Gadlis and came to Chester from whence Mr Edward Leeds junr proceeded for London having advice of his child's death.

On Friday the 5th of May 1721 with great difficulty by reason of the badness of the road we came to Winster in Derbyshire on Saturday we went to view the mines and found Garden Grove had two shafts on it, one in the Garden 36 yards deep and near the soles have some pieces of ore which cannot now follow for water, so are sinking the other shaft in the field (now 12 yards deep and the hardness) to that level in order to make a full trial.

Upper Bank is 28 yards deep and 4 under the Old Man who got some ore tho they have found but little at this forefield, which have bared, when the water goes off they will continue sinking being in fine likely soyl and also will drive on the Old Man's forefield, this has wind from a small shaft near it about 5 fathoms deep.

At Knockin have a straight shaft 20 fathoms deep, from whom they have driven near 40 yards on the Dip in the Old Man, who had a very good ore, having carried his drift three yards wide, and above 5 foot high, and in many places left a small rib behind him, which they have got and was then in the Coe they expect very soon to bare his forefield, which has dip from the shaft 4 or 5 fathom, and in all probability the Company will have a good work here.

Longtor Gate there they have about 32 yards deep and have a very good vein, with two firm sides and filled with extraordinary fine Calk which stands rib fashion about 2 foot wide, and very likely vein soyl but being just at top of it they will sink in it, when have got wind by driving about 8 yards.

Upper and Nether Longtor Rakes, Horsehay, Delph and Hadland have had a great many shafts on them (as described by T Barker in his account from Derbyshire). The Longtors have not been sett on by the Company but there being an old shaft now standing open for some depth we ordered Jethro Norman to bare it that may the better guess how these veins have been left, we heard from several they have got very well ore, our shaft at Horsehay is twelve fathoms deep, they went down in a fine Chun but are beaten out by water.

At Delph and Hadland, the Old Man has had extraordinary good ore, which he worked out of the upper level, but having sunk under him into the Black Beds which frequently lead to another level, therefore ordered Jethro Norman to bore some fathom through them for better and speedier information.

There are here about abundance of veins in view which cannot be thoroughly tried for water, and probably many more undiscovered, on which accounts, think it advisable and convenient very soon to begin a Sough, about 200 yards below our shaft on Delph viz. where T Barker writes we might likely go up in a string, there are many shafts in a range for about six score yards in length, which will be of use for air in carrying up the Sough; by which at the said shaft on Delph will be gained 44 yards of level, and according to the best computation can be made, the same may be perfected for one hundred pounds.

On enquiry we learnt that under levels are very seldom above 7 or 8 fathoms under the upper levels, but as this level will be between 9 and 10 fathoms below the old Man's soles at Delph if there be an under level it will be undoubtedly be discovered by such a Sough.

Jethro Norman has taken for the Company a work called Shakersdale in Wensley liberty, which we were at and viewed and is more particularly described on succeeding side.

Besides which he has taken for the Company in Sir Winsley Liberty three pipes proceeding which many more from a very great flat called Green Pitts, which we saw and cannot but approve of, and the more because some other folks at present are sinking at great expense through the Black Beds on a pipe near that corner out of the said flat.

The Barmaster of this liberty came to us at Winster Prime Grove and promised his friendship, and told us he would in a day or two give Jethro for the Company a very likely mine which we passed at a distance, the soyl looked very well, and the vein pointed on a great flat and a Dingle, it was not proper to go near it being the possessed by others.

Shakerdale in Wensley liberty (a) This shaft has been 36 yards deep and under the Black Beds where the Old Man came to fine soyl and pieces of ore, after a very little driving but being poor and over water was so left off about seven years ago below the said shaft to the West are a great many pitts sunk on a large flat.

(b) Several shafts, which seem by the soyl to have been in two spacious veins in both of which some ore has been got tho did not hear of a large quantity nor have they been above 40 or 50 yards, deep water preventing them.

(c) On other shaft which has been at the vein but could not sink deep in it for water.

(d) At (d) the West side appears to the day and vein soyl for some breadth in it.

There is a great swamp or Brack about 60 yards long at (d) and also from (f) upwards to (a) which seems to be occasioned by the sides forming a vein which swamps being a random suppose them to make the Shakersdale vein or veins.

It's probable if the vein carried on that pipes may be discovered which always run cross to the Rake Randums. *(See the full page with diagram below)*

We found the gentlemen at Winster &c., and the Barmaster of both that and Winsley Liberty very willing to give the Company encouragement, we entertained them and the Parson at Dinner when and in the evening over a bowl of punch & many good wishes were uttered and went round for the Company's success.

The 6 of June 1721

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Shakerdale in Wensley Liberty a

a This shaft has been 36 yards Deep and Under the black bed where the Old man came to find Soot and pieces of Ore, after every Little Drilling but being poor and over water was so Left off about Seven years ago below the said Shaft to the W. are a great many Little Sunk on a Large Flat

6666 Several shafts which seem by the Soot to have been in two Spacious Veins in both of which some ore has been got, tho. did not hear of large quantity nor have they been above 40. or 50 Yards Deep - water Overcoming them -

c An other shaft which has been at the vein but could not Sink Deep in it for Water .

d at the west side appears to the Day and vein Soot for some breadth within it

There is a great Swamp or Brack about 60 yard Long at d and also from F upwards to A which seems to be Occasioned by the sides forming a Vein which Swamps being in a vandum Suppose them to Make the Shakerdale Vein or Veins .

Its Probable if the vein be carryed on that pipes may be Discovered which always run crost to the Lake vandum

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Shakerdale Lake in Wensley Liberty

And what we cannot omit is we think Jethro Norman as fit a person, and as well qualified, to serve the Company as could have been pitched upon in all the country being a discrete, grave, knowing, and substantial man, of good character and esteem.

It was with great difficulty we into and out of the Peak Country with the Coach the roads being so bad and unused by Coaches especially in such weather.

From thence we proceeded towards Yorkshire, and procured an account of Stockton of all the markets of lead which come to that market their owners and mines from whence the several ores are got, which account is given to John Newton to get samples and make trials for silver, with more perfect account of the mines particularly of the Lord Barnard, and to give the Court his opinion with what he learns of the same. John Newton meeting us at Darlington, and the ways our health and time not admitting of a visit to the mines and workhouses in the North, nor to Scotland, we did the best we could by conference with him, about both the substance of which is as follows viz.

It is John Newton and Charles Alsopp's opinion that by giving about two shillings per week to one of the Refiners, who can build furnaces &c. as well as T Pattinson did his place may be very well supplied at present, and will also go to Scotland at suitable times.

Shildon mine has raised a good quantity of ore this winter viz. about four hundred Bing, and is like to be much increased with a little more charge at the gins, that ore hold generally 15 ounces of silver per Ton of lead.

Blagill is thought to have cut Thorngill vein and has got about two hundred Bing of ore this quarter at 11s per Bing but as there was danger of others working and taking the forefield at Thorngill John Newton has kept it private till he had got a Tack of one, and is promised a Tack of another, which he soon expects, by which he will secure them or any other veins he shall meet with in their driving; he thinks there is no place or places in all Aldstone more likely as that work is.

Priorsdale liberty is wrought in the following places viz.

Clargill Head (which is the rich lead in silver 35 ounces per Ton) is more promising than of late and has three veins, which they are of opinion will come together, they are driving in order to it by a cross cut.

Newtine Green is worked upon lease at seventh duty.

Oldtine Green at twenty two shillings per Bing clear of all charges, the cutting ore at seventeen shillings.

Covertfold at a seventh duty and the Company has besides three eighths of the works.

At Windebrea, where the Company has got about one thousand Bings of ore, a level carrying up, he expects may reach the ore left at the forefield this Summer, and then also the Great Flat may be tried.

Gudamgill Moss mine where the Company have got one quarter, John Newton hopes to get another quarter from a partner not able to pay his share charge of the level carrying up and that at reasonable rate, Ridley gave sixty pounds for one sixteenth they had ore at their forefield, when they left off for water the ore they got at 5s per Bing, it's believed it will go near 12 months before the level will be brought up.

Now that the Company's own ore and what Charles Alsopp has bought, and is still to procure, there will be in all probability a good supply for the smelters and refiners this year.

We gave John Newton strict orders to make a strict enquiry into Lord Hopton's mines and to know his terms and to report the same to the Court.

Likewise to discourse and settle matters as far as he could with people, who have purchased the Duke of Queensberry's quarter part and what he does, to advise the Court.

After we had done the necessary with him we returned to London where we arrived the 27th May.

Ordered

And finding by the said report that the Company works are in so prosperous and further promising condition and that Trelogan alone will near support 20/- per share half yearly, besides the many other good works possessed by the Company together with the profits of

smelting ore, fineing bought ore &c. they are unanimously of opinion to divide 20/- per share at Midsummer next.

13th June 1721 LLC 5

Proposal by Robert Wightman & James Douglas

The Governor & Company for Smelting Lead with Pitcoal and Seacoal, for obviating Disputes about Penalties, forfeited grounds, and errors in accounting and for the ascertaining unanimity in carrying on the mines and works at Wanlockhead by equality of interest.

That we shall on our part Communicate to the Company the Prolongation of lease which we have obtained for a further term of fifteen years, together with all the other benefits and advantages of our lease or contract, shall acquit and discharge the Company of all forfeiture and Penalties made and incurred or supposed to be made and incurred, and shall approve all preceding accounts betwixt his Grace the Duke of Queensbury and the Company Except the account about smelting his Grace's fourth & seventh shares of lead ore.

That the Company on their part shall assign and make over to us another fourth share of the mines and works at Wanlockhead, and shall become subject and liable in equal proportion with us to all the conditions and obligations to which we are bound by our contract with his Grace the Duke of Queensbury, particularly as to the obligation of rendering a sixth part instead of a seventh part in the name of farm or Tack duty and of Paying on the first day of August next the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds.

The Governor & Company for Smelting Down Lead &c. their answer to the proposal of Robert Wightman and James Douglas for carrying on the work of the mines at Wanlockhead with unanimity by an equality of interest for obviating disputes about penalties, for forfeiture of grounds and errors in accounts.

The Company are very sensible that tis very difficult to carry on any works to the most advantage where the inequality of interest and as in this case disproportion of time for the enjoying it interferes. Therefore are willing to enter into measures that may be found just and reasonable not that they are conscious they have incurred any penalty, forfeited any mine at Wanlockhead or ground within half a mile of the mines in working there or that they have committed any errors in accounts but to answer all those good ends mentioned do agree. That Robert Wightman and James Douglas shall communicate to and invest the said Company with the prolongation of the lease they have obtained from the Duke of Queensbury for fifteen years, together with all other benefits and advantages of the said lease and contract, shall acquit and discharge the Company of all forfeitures & penalties made or incurred or supposed to be made or incurred, and shall approve all Preceding accounts betwixt the Duke of Queensbury and the said Company (except the account of the charge of smelting the Dukes seventh & fourth shares of lead ore) and shall pay unto the Duke one hundred and fifty pounds on the first of August next, & lastly to adjust the manner of proceeding in the said works to the satisfaction of the said Company that is in the following manner or to the same effect Viz.

And for the regular and harmonious carrying on & working the said mines, by a joint interest, a joint advantage and a joint consent tis mutually covenanted and agreed by and between the parties'.

That each party may have an agent at said mines defrayed by each party, those agents shall concur in letting all bargains and in approving the performances there of and be present and approving at the paying for the same, which pays shall be made as often as shall be found needful, and each party obliges themselves to furnish each there agent with moneys for the same from time to time and all times during the continuance of the said concern. And in case the agents shall differ in opinion about carrying on the said mines, making of pays for the same, or in anything relating to the procedure in the said premises. The said agents

shall agree in stating the fact in writing & signing the same sending one to each party, who shall commune with one another about it, by letter or otherwise in the most friendly manner showing their opinions and reasons for doing or not doing the thing in debate; till the matter is accommodated and adjusted to a mutual satisfaction.

Likewise tis further agreed by and between the said party's for the better preventing any disputes that at every pay or other proper time at which they shall notify to the Duke to receive his sixth share of ore, as far as each party or their agent shall receive their equal shares or moiety of the remainder, and which receipts shall be deemed a full & sufficient discharge from that demand or further enquiry of each party, unless made within ten days after the said division.

Also that each party or agent shall keep books of the same tenured recording the bargains and pays made and all other transactions relating to the mines, and exact entries of the times of making the divisions of the ore, to the Duke and each party with the quantity each party has received and of every other matter and thing transacted by them relating to the premises.

That the Company on their part shall transfer to Robert Wightman and James Douglas one other fourth part of the mines of Wanlockhead (except the mill and works for smelting and refining now in the possession of the Company or which they shall erect or enjoy there or else where), with all the tools and stock thereunto belonging) and the Company become subject and liable in equal proportion to all the condition and obligations the said Robert Wightman & James Douglas are bound by their contract with the Duke of Queensberry particularly as to the obligation of rendering one sixth part instead of a seventh part in the name of Farm or Tack Duty.

And it is mutually agreed between all the said party's that in case either side take any new grant or grants from the Duke of Queensbury or the Lord Hopton's Liberty, that in such case either side should have the refusal of half thereof, paying and promising one half of the charges and obligations the other party is bound to perform, giving on each side six months notice.

20th June 1721 LLC 5

It is desired that Dr Wright, Mr Enoch Floyd and Mr John Haddon do view the Mannor of Charter House &c., and on their return make their report.

The Governor reported that himself and Dr Wright met Mr Wightman &c., pursuant to the order of the last Court, that they had agreed to the paper in the last minutes, except their payment of one quarter part of the tools and materials as they stood on the 1st May last which they are to have upon their paying the whole one hundred and fifty pounds to the Duke on the 1st August next.

To this the Court agreed.

Ordered. That Mr Eaton the attorney do prepare the necessary draft or drafts for the same and attend Mr Leeds junr as Council thereupon for the Company, and the Governor, Deputy Governor, Mr John Haddon and Dr Edward Wright or any two of them do assist in perusing the same before engrossed.

Dr Edward Wright reported from the Sub-committee

That Esq Gore Proposes to sell the royalty of mines of all sorts that are in the wastes roads or commons within the Mannor of Charter House near Mendip for ever, the Mannor is near 20 miles about, and liberty of digging for all mines in the enclosed grounds paying 1/10 to the owner of the soil. If there be any coal found as they have some already by boring, he would be one third concerned with the Company he desires it may be speedily viewed with a friend of his and he will pay half charge, he says his father has received five hundred pounds per annum from a parcel of poor miners, thinks with the strength of a Company much more might

be done in so great a liberty, there are two Cupola upon it for smelting he says, and some very desirous to deal with the Company.

27th June 1721 LLC 5

The treasurer reported that he had sold to Stephen Jackson 150 or 160 tuns of lead to be taken in at Bagilt at £9 5s for the buyer to pay duty & petty's and to pay upon the delivery of the bill of loading.

Ordered that the treasurer have credit for £10 10s paid William Williams for the Company's subscription to a Map of Denbigh & Flintshire.

Isaac Boddington took the oath appointed by the Charter in open Court before the Governor and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

Jo Belch & Bayame Bell signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter in open Court before the Governor and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

Dr Wright reported that he had sent to Councillor Leeds & Mr Eaton the attorney, the 26th June 1721 a draft of a deed from Robert Wightman &c. to surrender the Duke of Queensberys quarter part (assigned him by the Company) to the Company a draft of an indenture of copartnership to the original lease from the Duke of Queensbery to the Company of the mines in Scotland and the Company's regrant of a quarter part of those mines to the Duke, for his perusal pursuant to the minutes of the last Court.

11th July 1721 LLC 5

Mr Leeds junr., Reported that Mr Horfeman had perused and made his amendments to the several deeds relating to the Company and Robert Wightman & Co. Two of them were read Viz R Wightmans release of all forfeitures and penalties and their surrender of the Duke of Queensberys quarter part of the mines and the same were ordered to be engrossed.

Also the deed of Co-partnership was ordered to be perused by the Sub-committee and if they find it to be according to the agreement to be also engrossed for the Courts approbation & execution.

The Deputy Governor made the following report.

Pursuant to the order of the Court of the 27th June last (*not minuted*) we proceeded to Mendip in company with Esq Gore the Lord of Charter House, which is a liberty of about 20 miles in circumference as the inhabitants informed us. The Liberty's have been largely wrought for lead, Calamine &c., from & before Edward 3rd to this day, there are several mines in working there and some smelting houses, but both very feebly carried on, especially at Charter House Liberty where non but very poor men and unskilful are at work.

The Liberty's are under Mineral Laws of great antiquity somewhat like those in Derbyshire but more favourable those of Charter House, Esq Gore lent to Thomas Barker to Copy and we procured one also of another Lordship called Chaton. Charterhouse is but 8 or 9 miles from Bristol and lies well for supply of timber which is plenty in the neighbourhood, and there is a very great likelihood of coal by a pit sunk by Esq Gores father which would be a very great commodity in those parts and turn to a great account.

That there is great quantity's of mines undiscovered in those Liberty's is not to be questioned, but whether the Company will think fit to purchase the mineral Lordship of Charter House which is a tenth of all ore or be adventurers in common. According to the Mineral Laws thereof, is what deserves Mature deliberation.

The Charge of this enquiry is £15 1s 6d.

Thomas Barker has taken a pretty many samples of ore to try for lead & silver

Dr Wright reported that he had sold to Abraham & Jacob Franco 180 tunn of lead to be delivered at Chester Water at Dawpoole at £9 5s tunn, they paying boatage thither, petty's & Custome & to pay half of the money on delivery of the bill of loading and the other half a month after.

18th July 1721 LLC 5

Dr Wright reported that he had sold to John Mendes de Costa 50 tunnes of lead to be delivered at Chester Water at £9 5s, he paying the Duty, boatage & other expenses in putting it aboard. The whole to be paid on the delivery of the bill of loading.

The Treasurer reported that he had prevailed with surveyor Williams to print 200 single sheets of the map of Denbigh & Flintshire wherein the Company's Work House at Gadlis &c. for 10 guineas, it was ordered that they be coloured and framed and presented to the members of the Company they paying for the frames only.

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s per share to the several proprietors due at Midsummer last.

		Old			
		Shares	1st Addition	£	s d
John	Askew	20	20	40	
George	Archer	10	20	30	
John	Atkin		5	5	
Charles	du Bois	80		80	
Samuel	Beachcroft	44		44	
Thomas	Boddington	42	30	72	
Isaac	Boddington	10		10	
Henry	Barne	10		10	
Messrs	Belch & Bell		5	5	
Clement	Bellamy		20	20	
Daniel	Bell		2	2	
Elizabeth	Ball		5	5	
James	Bowles		20	20	
Mary	Barnard	20		20	
John	Clarke	84		84	
Thomas	Cooper deceased	40		40	
Richard	Collet	104	25	129	
Christopher	Crell deceased	95		95	
Elizabeth	Clay	80		80	
Ann	Chokk	20		20	
Mary	Collard	8		8	
Paul	Crell	40		40	
James	Creed	163		163	
John	Crow	20		20	
Judith	Cant	8		8	
Elizabeth	Crell		15	15	
Richard	Diamond	60	40	100	
Joan	Dant	100		100	
Richard	Dowdswell		10	10	
William	Emmit		3	3	
Elizabeth	Eames		10	10	
Thomas	Emlin	20	5	25	
Richard	Eames	55		55	
William	Every	10		10	
John	Freame	80	30	110	

Enoch	Floyd	103	90	193
Nathanial	Ford	100	10	110
Sarah	Fisher	30		30
Deborah	Fisher	30		30
Hannah	Fisher	30		30
Joseph	Freame		15	15
Thomas	Gould	70	30	100
Archibald	Grosvenor	40		40
Joseph	Grove	54		54
Richard	Gerrey	54	20	74
John	Garret	10		10
John	Gopsill	10		10
Thomas	Gould junr		15	15
Joseph	Heale	40	10	50
Thomas	Hale	20		20
Benjamin	Hopkins	59		59
Rev Henry	Holloway	60	5	65
John	Holloway	65		65
John	Hubbard	20		20
Joseph	Hill	96	15	111
Humphrey	Hill	96	5	101
Urban	Hall Esq	108	110	218
John	Haddon	108	8	116
Beatrice	Harman	11		11
Edward	Hankin	53		53
Joyce	Issod	40		40
Elizabeth	Issod		10	10
James	Jamblin		10	10
Cuthbert	Jackson		10	10
Thomas	Kirby	84		84
John	Knight	48	30	78
Edward	Leeds	199	95	294
Edward	Leeds Junr	20	40	60
Peter	De Lannoy	15		15
Elizabeth	Leeds		5	5
Richard	Matthews deceased	280		280
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48		48
Nathanael	Matson	240		240
Lascells	Metcalf	75	5	80
Gilbert	Molleson	20	10	30
Mary	Mason deceased	40		40
Thomas	Martin	20	30	50
Joseph	Moore	40		40
John	Muchlow	44	5	49
Jonathan	Mason	44		44
Cornelius	Mason Junr	40	5	45

Thomas	Oades	20		20
William	Ockenden	120	40	160
John	Oxdon	6		6
Benjamin	Osgood	5		5
Clement	Plumsted	10		10
John	Peirie	20		20
Mary	Perkins	40		40
Richard	Parks	20		20
Col	Pilkington		5	5
Andrew	Pitt		20	20
Thomas	Plumstead		10	10
Mortimer	Powell		20	20
Michael	Russell	24	15	39
John	Rayner deceased	20		20
Joseph	Rawbon junr	20		20
James	Richardson		5	5
William	Smith	190	95	285
Joseph	Saunders	40	20	60
Elizabeth	Stamper	36		36
Joseph	Stanburgh		20	20
Jonathan	Scarth	4		4
John	Tomkins		5	5
John	Taylor	10	25	35
Timothy	Treadaway		5	5
John	Tatnal		20	20
John	Toms	20		20
John	Usher	60		60
Mary	Usher		15	15
Kathleen	Usher	20		20
Abell	Wilkinson	40		40
Arthur	Woolley	138	100	238
Dr Thomas	Walsh	20		20
Rev John	Willis	100	10	110
Robert	Wall	80		80
William	Woolley	35	15	50
Edward	Wright	160	30	190
Jacob	Wyan	10		10
Capt John	Wall		50	50
Prudence	Wilson		10	10
John	Woolley	20		20
John	Willmer		20	20
Simeon	Warner		7	7
Thomas	Zachary	<u>5</u>		<u>5</u>
	Total	<u>5080</u>	<u>1415</u>	<u>£6495</u>

Warrants were signed & given the treasurer for a dividend of 40s per share to the several proprietors. Due Christmas & Midsummer last.

		2nd Additional	£	s	d
John	Askew	4	8		
George	Archer	4	8		
John	Atkin	3	6		
Thomas	Boddington	8	16		
Henry	Barne	15	30		
Isaac	Boddington	3	6		
Elizabeth	Ball	1	2		
Robert	Burletson	5	10		
John	Burton	4	8		
John	Burr & Co	3	6		
John	Brown	3	6		
Joseph	Barrel	3	6		
John	Clarke	5	10		
Richard	Collet	4	8		
John	Crow	10	20		
	Crell	2	4		
	Collville	1	2		
Walter	Coleman	2	4		
Richard	Diamond	10	20		
	Eburn	2	4		
Thomas	Eades	5	10		
Enoch	Floyd	24	48		
Nathanial	Ford	1	2		
Joseph	Freame	10	20		
	Fisher	1	2		
Richard	Gerrey	6	12		
John	Gopsill	5	10		
Thomas	Gould junr	5	10		
Nathanial	Gwillyme	4	8		
Benjamin	Gravener	20	40		
John	Gray	2	4		
Capt	Guede	5	10		
Edward	Godfrey	2	4		
Benjamin	Hopkins	25	50		
Humphrey	Hill	10	20		
Urban	Hall Esq	4	8		
John	Haddon	34	68		
Widow	Hughes	2	4		
Cuthbert	Jackson	1	2		
Thomas	Isaac	2	4		
John	Knight	5	10		
Edward	Leeds	16	32		
Edward	Leeds Junr	10	20		

Peter	De Lannoy	3	6
John	Lardner	2	4
Gilbert	Molleson	5	10
William	Ockenden	10	20
Andrew	Pitt	4	8
Thomas	Plumstead	1	2
John	Palmer	2	4
Michael	Russell	3	6
James	Richardson	1	2
William	Raine	1	2
William	Smith	22	44
Joseph	Saunders	5	10
Christopher	Smith	2	4
James	Simonson	1	2
Elizabeth	Stager	2	4
Timothy	Treadaway	5	10
John	Tatnall	6	12
John	Toms	7	14
Edmund	Togwell	13	26
William	Taylor	1	2
Mary	Usher	5	10
John	Vanderwall	4	8
Robert	Wall	12	24
Edward	Wright	21	42
Prudence	Wilson	4	8
Simeon	Warner	3	6
Samuel	Wright	3	6
Eleanor	Willan	3	6
Samuel	Wilson	<u>6</u>	<u>12</u>
	Total	<u>448</u>	<u>£896</u>

Ordered. That the treasurer have credit for the following sums

For an error of an overcharge on the 2nd payment of 3000 shares so that the difference was	
928 shares at £12 10s per share	£11600
For 80 shares not yet come in on the 2nd payment of the	
1st additional shares at £7 per share	£560
For 5125 shares not yet come in on the 3rd payment of the	
1st additional shares at £7 per share	£3605
For a dividend paid on 1405 shares made stock of the	
1st Additional shares due at Xmas last at 20s per share	£1405
For 928 Maiden Shares received for the Company use	
at £12 120s per share	£11600
For 822 shares of the said Additional shares taken in on	
the 2nd payment at £25 per share	£20550
For 281 shares standing out at £12 10s per share	<u>£3512 10s</u>
	<u>£52832 10s</u>

25th July 1721 LLC 5

The following deeds were read and approved.

A release from Robert Wightman and Co. to the Company. Their surrender or assignment of the Duke of Queensburys one quarter part, both dated and executed yesterday the 24th inst. by Robert Wightman and James Douglas, and a deed of Co partnership dated this day and executed by the said Robert Wightman and James Douglas, and all three of them to be sent to Edinburgh for George Irving to execute in order to be exchanged.

Ordered that Anthony Barker be made drawn for £100 for Robert Wynn's bill on his father Dr Wynn sent him and Dr Wright credit for the following South Sea stocks and Subscriptions bought for the Company at the following time and price.

1720				
August 24th	500	South Sea Stock at	£8.30 per share	£4,150
August 26th	500	South Sea Subscription		£3,237 10s
September 30th	500	South Sea Stock at	£1.95 per share	£975
October 8th	1,000	South Sea Subscriptions		£1,850
October 24th	500	South Sea Stock at	£2.11 per share	£1,055
Paid 4th payment on 1,500 Subscriptions and the				
3rd and 4th on	500			£750
				<u>£12017 10s</u>

The Following deeds were read and approved.

A Release from Robert Wightman & Co to the Company.

Their surrender or assignment of the Duke of Queensbery's $\frac{1}{4}$ part both dated and executed yesterday 24th instant by Robert Wightman & James Douglas and a deed of Co-partnership dated this day & executed by the said Robert Wightman and James Douglas and all three of them to be sent to Edinburgh for George Irving to execute in order to be exchanged.

Ordered. That the seal of this Company be now put to the other part of the Deed of Co-partnership and counterpart of their Deed of Surrender or Assignment of the Dukes $\frac{1}{4}$ part of the mines of Wanlockhead, and that the same be exchanged when the said George Irving has Executed, and the seal was affixed accordingly.

8th August 1721 LLC 5

Elizabeth Low took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

The Treasurer Reported that Thomas Gord Esq in Morpeth, Northumberland, desires to meet Thomas Barker at Mr Lemon's at Blagdon on Michaelmas day next with Borers &c. he will defray the charge and recompense and promises if there be coals the Company shall have half of what ever he has himself, which he is sure will be a lease of good length.

26th September 1721 LLC 5

The treasurer Reported that he had exchanged with Robert Wightman, James Douglas & George Irving The Company's deed of Co-partnership &c. and The Company's Assignment of the Duke of Queensbury $\frac{1}{7}$ part or ____ for Robert Wightman, James Douglas & George Irving Their Deed of Co-partnership, Their Assignment of the Duke of Queensburys $\frac{1}{4}$ share and their release to the Company.

3rd October 1721 LLC 5

William Squire signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

10th October 1721 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 16 ingots of silver, 1008 lb. 1 oz 4 pw 21 gr. Standard. Value £3124 1s 1d.

24th October 1721 LLC 5

John Bruton signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

19th December 1721 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 9 ingots of silver, 466 lb. 18 oz 12 pw 15 gr. Standard. Value £1446 10s 9d.

2nd January 1722 LLC5

Benjamin Gravener, Kath Usher, Mary Usher and Elizabeth Leeds severally took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

Ordered. That part of Anthony Barkers letter of the 22nd past relating to the works be entered in the Court minutes of this day by which it appears that the Report of the Gentlemen who were in Wales last Spring has answered very well, both with respect to the Produce of Trelogan and other mines and also the good prospects of others which has since increased & some new valuable discovery's made all which does induce the Court to sign warrants for 20s per share dividend for Christmas now past in hopes of several works and prospects in Wales, Derbyshire, Scotland and the North of England will enable the Company to continue it.

Ordered. That warrants be now signed for the same, which was done accordingly on 7289 shares.

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	44	44		
George	Archer	34	34		
John	Atkin	8	8		
Charles	du Bois	80	80		
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	55		
Thomas	Boddington	90	90		
Isaac	Boddington	3	3		
Henry	Barne	55	55		
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	9		
Clement	Bellamy	20	20		
Daniel	Bell	2	2		
Elizabeth	Ball	6	6		
James	Bowles	20	20		
Messrs	Bur & Hagen	3	3		
Mary	Barnard	15	15		
Robert	Burlston	5	5		
Joseph	Barrel	3	3		
John	Brown	3	3		
Nicholas	Blowing	5	5		
John	Clarke	123	123		
Thomas	Cooper deceased	40	40		
Richard	Collet deceased	133	133		
Christopher	Crell deceased	95	95		
Elizabeth	Clay deceased	80	80		
Ann	Chokk	20	20		
Mary	Collard	8	8		
Paul	Crell	40	40		

James	Creed	163	163
John	Crow	30	30
Judith	Cant	8	8
Elizabeth	Crell	17	17
	Colvell	1	1
Walter	Coleman	2	2
Alexander	Crowch	2	2
Abraham	Coleman	3	3
Richard	Diamond	110	110
Joan	Dant	100	100
Richard	Dowdswell Esq	15	15
William	Dowdswell Rector	20	20
Thomas	Emlin	25	25
Richard	Eames	55	55
William	Every	10	10
Elizabeth	Eames	10	10
William	Emmit	3	3
Thomas	Eades	5	5
William	Edwin	2	2
John	Freame	110	110
Enoch	Floyd	205	205
Walter	Ford	115	115
Sarah	Fisher	40	40
Deborah	Fisher	30	30
Hannah	Fisher	30	30
Joseph	Freame	49	49
	Fisher	1	1
Thomas	Fothergill	5	5
Thomas	Gould	100	100
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	40
Joseph	Grove	54	54
Richard	Gerrey	80	80
John	Garret	10	10
John	Gopsill	15	15
Thomas	Gould junr	20	20
Robert	Guede	5	5
Edward	Godfrey	2	2
Benjamin	Gravener	20	20
John	Gray	2	2
Nathanial	Gwillym	4	4
Joseph	Heale	56	56
Thomas	Hale	20	20
Benjamin	Hopkins	84	84
Rev Henry	Holloway	40	40
John	Hubbard	20	20
Joseph	Hill	111	111

Humphrey	Hill	111	111
Urban	Hall Esq	222	222
John	Haddon	150	150
Beatrice	Harman	21	21
Widow	Hughes	2	2
Edward	Hankin	53	53
John	Howard	5	5
Joyce	Issod	40	40
Elizabeth	Issod	10	10
James	Jamblin	10	10
Cuthbert	Jackson	11	11
Thomas	Isaac	2	2
Thomas	Kirby	84	84
John	Knight	83	83
Edward	Leeds	310	310
Edward	Leeds Junr	70	70
Peter	De Lannoy	14	14
Elizabeth	Leeds	5	5
John	Lardner	2	2
Elizabeth	Lowe	3	3
Sarah	De Lannoy	2	2
Richard	Matthews deceased	280	280
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48	48
Nathanael	Matson	240	240
Lascells	Metcalf	111	111
Gilbert	Molleson	20	20
Mary	Mason deceased	40	40
Thomas	Martin	50	50
Joseph	Moore deceased	40	40
John	Muchlow	52	52
Jonathan	Mason	49	49
Cornelius	Mason Junr	45	45
Lascells	Metcalf junr	5	5
Christian	Metcalf senr	5	5
Christian	Metcalf junr	5	5
Joseph	Moore	10	10
Thomas	Oades	20	20
William	Ockenden	170	170
John	Oxdon	6	6
Benjamin	Osgood	5	5
Clement	Plumsted deceased	10	10
John	Peirie	20	20
Mary	Perkins	40	40
Richard	Parks	20	20
Col	Pilkington	5	5
Andrew	Pitt	24	24

Thomas	Plumstead	11	11
Mortimer	Powell	20	20
John	Palmer	2	2
Michael	Russell	42	42
John	Rayner deceased	20	20
Joseph	Rawbon junr	20	20
James	Richardson	6	6
William	Raine	1	1
	Raine	2	2
William	Smith	304	304
Joseph	Saunders	65	65
Joseph	Stanburgh	20	20
Christopher	Smith	2	2
James	Simonson	1	1
Elizabeth	Steger	2	2
Josiah	Stevens	4	4
John	Salter	10	10
Philip	Story	5	5
Jonathan	Scarth	4	4
William	Squire	5	5
John	Tomkins	5	5
John	Taylor	15	15
Timothy	Treadaway	10	10
John	Tatnall	26	26
John	Toms	27	27
Edmund	Togwell	13	13
William	Taylor	1	1
John	Toavey	15	15
Thomas	Thomas	8	8
John	Usher deceased	60	60
Mary	Usher	20	20
Kathleen	Usher	20	20
John	Vanderwall	14	14
Abell	Wilkinson	40	40
Arthur	Woolley	238	238
Dr Thomas	Walsh	20	20
Rev John	Willis	110	110
Robert	Wall	90	90
William	Woolley	50	50
Edward	Wright	239	239
Jacob	Wyan	7	7
Capt John	Wall	52	52
Prudence	Wilson	14	14
John	Woolley	20	20
John	Willmer	20	20
Simeon	Warner	10	10

Samuel	Wright	3	3
Eleanor	Willan	3	3
Samuel	Wilson	6	6
William	Walker	2	2
William	Wright Esq	68	68
Henry	Wright Esq	42	42
William	Wilkinson	1	1
Robert	Wilkins	2	2
Robert	Wise	1	1
Thomas	Zachary	<u>5</u>	5
	Total	<u>7201</u>	<u>£7201</u>

The minute book records a total of 7289 shares but only 7201 are recorded.

Copy of Anthony Barkers Letter

I am very thankful to providence I can at the end of this year send the Court an account of their works and of more valuable prospects for their increase then could perhaps could ever be done at any one time since I was concerned for them and do hope the Company will believe nothing in our power shall be wanting to make them fully answer their expectations.

I find there has been brought from Trelogan hither since Midsummer last above 920 tons of round and small ore and do not doubt but the next operation paper will make it evident, and there is only the bank sufficient to make that up above a thousand. We have sunk down in several places under the level, are glad to find the ore keeps the breadth as far as we have sunk and more solid than above, we have it at the very east forefield near a yard thick but do expect it will naturally run on the dip till we come to the rise in ground nearer Mr Parry, which however hope shall find means to work it.

The ore at the shaft the Gentlemen went down sets very well in the depth as we sink and have a firm rib at the top of the hill in fresh ground a foot thick, which seems to set strong and in a more direct line to the great work than any wrought towards W. heretofore which we take to be the master vein and are at work on Sir G Moystons Acton Partnership as near the random of it as we could at present set or venture on Sir Thomas Longville's Liberty about 100 yards S of Trelogan which is very hopeful having a vein near a yard wide of Spar mixt with fine ore in it, are Sinking a Straight Shaft to come on the Vein, that is hading when I hope shall be able to make a Sufficient Tryal of it, and to Give An Account may be to Satisfaction.

Bindigry is also a hadeing Vein but have a Large Straight Shaft sunk Upon it, and though it was Late in the year before it could be finished and the Extreme rains happening, yet have above Ten Tons of ore upon the Bank there and shall I hope be able to begin Early to Proceed in the spring.

The Windmill field has a large vein near a yard wide and ore ____ in it above half a yard Thick, its at present troubled with water but stands as Convenient as can be Wished to bring up a short level in the range of that vein, and its very Probable it would Discover several other Veins in Bringing it up may as the Season Advances Write for Leave to set about Driving a Level which I Cannot but think would be very Advantageous; there is about 15 Tuns ore on the Bank. We get ore on Sir G, Moystons Liberty's on the Grange at two Places; one is a new vein where we came to Ore at 8 yards a few weeks Since and find it to Sink Down very well, hope shall in a Little time have Occasion to say more of it Capt. Pennants and Peny forth Newith Braford Rake &c. The Swallow at The old Rake has been overpowered with Water has hindered us Getting good ore there in Severall Places.

We have a very hopeful! Work at west end of ppwlldor having a firm rib of ore near a foot thick and a Large Liberty of fresh ground at Each end of it.

At the East end of the said Rake near the end of those 20 Meers fresh Ground Towards Mr, William Gate has Discovered a Large Vein with ore in it above half a yard wide at some yards

South of the vein. We were before in it; Sets very well back, towards the works westward and have made very Vigorous Application to Sir Richard to enlarge the Company's Liberty's as far as Mr Wms Lower Gate and that, what the Company have Discovered with their money may not be taken from them nor sett to an other. We hope our representations will have a good Effect, but have yet no Positive Promise of the Fresh Liberty's we desire. We are sinking as fast as we can in Mr Hopes Liberty's which are at Present very hard but am well Informed Mr Wynne has a firm rib of ore in the Very next field above two yards Thick and within two or three Meers of us—we want above 15 yards to Sink to be at the Depth they get their great ore at, and as those who have often Dialled that work say it ranges near upon Where we are Sinking at Mr Hopes Field; If this and the rest I have Mentioned prove anything Like what they give us good reason To Expect will hopefully make Good what it said on the other Side which that they may, nothing shall be Wanting that is in the Power of the Company's affect Servt. A.B.

6th January 1722 LLC 5

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants
The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Charles Du Bois Esq	Mr Edward Leeds
Mr Arthur Woolley	Mr John Haddon
Dr Edward Wright	Mr Samuel Beachcroft
Mr William Smith	Dr Thomas Walsh
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	Mr John Toms
Mr Edward Leeds junr	Mr James Creed

16th January 1721 LLC 5

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 5th of January 1721 to 2nd Jan 1722.

Urban Hall Esq	£15	15s	1d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£15	10s	8½d
Dr Edward Wright	£12	12s	9d
Mr John Haddon	£15	10s	0½d
Mr Edward Leeds	£15	2s	8d
Mr William Smith	£15	15s	1d
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	£7	4s	10½d
Mr Arthur Woolley	£6	18s	1½d
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	£15	8s	1d
Mr John Toms	£11	9s	5½d
Mr James Creed	£10	16s	1d
Mr Edward Leeds Junr	£6	5s	0½d
	<u>£148</u>	<u>8s</u>	<u>0d</u>

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Sub-committee from the 10th of January 1721 to 2nd Jan 1722.

Dr Edward Wright	£17	6s	0d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£20	10s	0d
Mr John Haddon	£20	10s	0d
Mr Edward Leeds	£16	2s	0d
	<u>£74</u>	<u>8s</u>	<u>0d</u>

John Wall and John Garrat took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

27th February 1722 LLC 5

Richard Wilkins signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

6th March 1722 LLC 5

Capt Egbert Guede took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

The treasurer reported the weights of 6 ingots of silver, 353 lb. 1 oz 17 pw 5 gr. Standard.
Value £1094 15s 7d.

It is Ordered. That all sales of lead in Wales till further order (Except lead for Bristol or Dublin) be made with the Chester or Liverpool Merchants who shall agree to give their bills for the whole when the lead lies ready for shipping one half at 10 days date and the other half 1/m date except the bargain be made for the whole at 10 days date.

13th March 1722 LLC 5

Clement Bellamy took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

20th March 1722 LLC 5

The counterpart of the lease of the mines in the Lordship or hundred of Prestatin in the County of Flint from Henry Glegg to the Company dated 1st July 1714 was delivered to Arthur Glegg. Also that another note given to deliver to Arthur Glegg Articles of Agreement between him and the Company dated 15th March 1721 (1722) executed by the Company.

27th March 1722 LLC 5

Ordered that the treasurer be made Dr for £2835, Received of the following Proprietors the last payment on 335 first additional shares made Stock Viz.

	Shares		£
John Salter	10	at £7 per share	70
William Wright	68	“	476
Henry Wright	42	“	294
Thomas Fothergill	5	“	35
Henry Barne	25	“	175
William Dowdswell	20	“	140
Nicholas Blowing	5	“	35
Thomas Thomas	5	“	35
Lescalls Metcalfe	20	“	140
Lescalls Metcalfe junr	5	“	35
Christian Metcalfe	5	“	35
Christian Metcalfe junr	5	“	35
Jona Mason	5	“	35
Samuel Beachcroft	10	“	70
Dr Edward Wright	20	at £14	280
John Toovey	10	at £7	70
Thomas Oades	15	at £14	210
Abel Wilkinson	20	at £7	140
James Creed	20	at £14	280
James Mackall	5	at £7	35
Joseph Jenkenson	<u>15</u>	at £14	<u>210</u>
	<u>335</u>		<u>£2835</u>

Ordered. That the treasurer be made Dr for £125 Received of the following Proprietors for the 3rd & last payment on the second additional shares

John Mucklow	1	25
Thomas Thomas	1	25
Joseph Heale	1	25
Samuel Beachcroft	1	25
James Creed	1	25
	<u>5 shares</u>	<u>£125</u>

Interest and Discount on South Sea Dividend Warrants

Principal	From Nov/Dec 1721 to 25 March 1722	Interest	Discount
£2273 1s 3d		£41 17s 6d	£63 19s 2d
		<u>Total</u>	<u>£105 16s 8d</u>

Ordered. That the treasurer have credit for £10 10s paid Edward Leeds junr for disbursements to Council, perusal of the Deed of Co-partnership &c., between this Company and Robert Wightman & Co., and for his attendance & trouble.

Also Ordered. That the treasurer have credit for £125 for Alexander Pyots note of hand returned him back and shares taken in lieu of the said note which note the treasurer was made Dr for the 1st November last being taken for the 2nd payment on ten second additional shares. And also that he has credit for expenses on the journey to Wales & Denbighshire the 11th April 1721 the sum of £116 12s.

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The 27 of March 1722 —

Continued —

Also The Difference which happened upon £2000 London Assurance Stock, on a Contract made with Joseph Willis the 15th day of August 1720 he failing and not taking the same accordingly £2000 London assurance @ £150 p^{ce} £3000 —

Sold out the day the Contract was out 6 September —

at 60 p^{ce} to W^m Aubrey £1200 —

Saved by a Contract for £50: S^{ea} Stock 60th

For M^r Beachcroft of S^r Willis at £1000 — 119 —

Saved by a Contract Made wth Mess^{rs} Ward

Augth 17 1720 on £1000 1st Subscription 150 —

So that the difference by Loss is £1531 —

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3rd April 1722 LLC 5

Mr John Woolley took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

10th April 1722 LLC 5

William Ginn, & Thomas Harrison signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

Mr William Russell took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

24th April 1722 LLC 5

Robert Harle & Thomas Fothergill severally took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

The Court desires Dr Edward Wright to send down to Gadlis a Tincture to preserve the workmen in health and to charge it to account.

The Barmaster Grant dated 3rd April 1722

Then taken account from Jethro Norman in the behalf of the Governor and Company for Smelting down lead &c. now concerned and undertakers of several old works or mines lying in the Bank Pasture, in the liberty of Winster and hundred of High Peak which are as follows, Longtor Old vein, Rangeth East and West and from its founder, hath 7 mears of ground Eastwards and 14 Westwardly containing in all twenty one mears and in another to the same point 21 mears of ground Longton Gate vein, Rangeth North West and South East and hath from its founder South East 6 mears and 10 mears North West, Hadland vein hath 18 mears and ranges North and South and another vein to the same point called Delfe contains 18 mears Horsehay vein lying upon the East and almost to the same point hath 14 mears. The Accor Stool vein more East and contains 10 mears the title string called Barton Stool vein hath 8 mears and crosseth Delfe, Hadland, and Accor Stool veins. There is also in the same title and partnership a vein called Clark Old vein and hath a double rank of possession and hath in it 24 mears and ranges North West and South East there is also in the same possession another vein on the West side ranges on the same points called Sellory Longtor hath a double range of possession containing 36 mears Longton Stool vein ranges North and South and hath 12 mears.

At these several veins except Clark and Sellory Longtor and Longtor Stool vein being out of possession in September 1720 was lawfully taken and possess by George Greaves his agent who sold his title to the above said Company whose agent hath shewen their possession to me and they are in good and lawful possession and declared by their agent to stand unwrought by reason of a great charge they are at in bringing up a Sough which is now in constant workmanship and will unwater all these several veins at their deepest soles which now stand in water for several fathoms and hath done for many years which the help of this Hadland Sough we hope will make a great discovery both to the benefit of the Lord of the Field and also to the benefit of the undertaking.

Witness my hand John Baddley. Barmaster.

1st May 1722 LLC 5

A warrant given the treasurer to pay

Arthur Fisher £35 18s 6d, Edward Miller £9 3s 4d, John Clarke £1 2s 6d, in all £46 4s 4d for 234 bushels of bone ash and 100 casks and shipping charges sent to Newcastle.

Capt. Daniel Mocher took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

8th May 1722 LLC 5

Richard Reynolds & John Hayward severally signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

James Ward took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

15th May 1722 LLC 5

Robert Willan signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

29th May 1722 LLC 5

Richard Gray took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

5th June 1722 LLC 5

John Pilkington and Joseph Stanburgh took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor & Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

12th June 1722 LLC 5

John Gray signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

19th June 1722 LLC 5

Simeon Warner signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

26th June 1722 LLC 5

Dr Edward Wright Reported that Mr William Stoddart had promised to renew Shildon lease the week before he leaves the Town on the terms agreed between him and John Newton and likewise will execute one for Whiteheaps or any other as John Newton and he can agree.

The Court considering the several accounts sent by their agents of the present state and prospects of the Companys works, And finding by Anthony Barkers account that Trelogan goes on Extraordinarily well and very nearly produced the last half year according to the estimate made in the report of the Gentlemen who were down last year, besides the many valuable and promising adventures now working in Wales as well as Derbyshire, the North Pennines &c likewise the great demand and good price of lead, they have thought fit to order. That warrants be made out for paying the proprietors 20s per share for the half year dividend due the 24th inst.

3rd July 1722 LLC 5

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer to several proprietors for a dividend due at Midsummer last on 7541 shares.

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	44	44		
George	Archer	34	34		
John	Atkin	8	8		
Charles	du Bois	80	80		
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	55		
Thomas	Boddington	70	70		
Henry	Barne	55	55		

Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	9
Clement	Bellamy	10	10
Elizabeth	Ball	6	6
James	Bowles	20	20
Mary	Barnard	13	13
Robert	Burlston	5	5
Nicholas	Blowing	5	5
John	Brown	3	3
Messrs	Bur & Hagen	3	3
Daniel	Bell	2	2
Joseph	Barrett	10	10
Isaac	Boddington	3	3
Joseph	Bromley	3	3
Nathanial	Brassey	10	10
Richard	Baily	10	10
Dr Christ'r	Crell	93	93
Thomas	Cooper	40	40
Elizabeth	Clay	80	80
John	Clarke	84	84
Ann	Chokk	25	25
Mary	Collard	8	8
Paul	Crell	40	40
James	Creed	328	328
Richard	Collet deceased	133	133
John	Crow	30	30
Judith	Cant	8	8
Elizabeth	Crell	17	17
Josias	Colwell	1	1
Walter	Coleman	2	2
Alexander	Crowch	2	2
Abraham	Coleman	3	3
Leonard	Chapman	2	2
Nathanial	Carter	5	5
Richard	Diamond	110	110
Joan	Dant deceased	100	100
Richard	Dowdswell Esq	15	15
Rev William	Dowdswell	20	20
Thomas	Emlin	30	30
Richard	Eames	55	55
William	Every	10	10
Elizabeth	Eames	10	10
Thomas	Eades	5	5
William	Emmit	3	3
William	Eburne	2	2
Sollom	Emelyn	5	5
James	Fisher	1	1

Enoch	Floyd	205	205
John	Freame	110	110
Nathanial	Ford	110	110
Sarah	Fisher	40	40
Deborah	Fisher	30	30
Hannah	Fisher	30	30
Joseph	Freame	49	49
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	40
Thomas	Gould	100	100
Joseph	Grove deceased	54	54
Richard	Gerrey	36	36
John	Gopsil	15	15
John	Garret	10	10
Thomas	Gould junr	20	20
Egbert	Guede	20	20
Benjamin	Gravener	20	20
Edward	Godfrey	2	2
Nathanial	Gwillym	4	4
Richard	Gray	6	6
William	Ginn	10	10
Philis	Gwillym	7	7
Urban	Hall Esq	200	200
John	Haddon	150	150
Joseph	Heale	56	56
Benjamin	Hopkins	84	84
Rev Henry	Holloway	60	60
John	Holloway	44	44
Joseph	Hill	111	111
Humphrey	Hill	111	111
Beatrice	Harman	21	21
Edward	Hankin	53	53
John	Hubbard	20	20
John	Howard	5	5
Thomas	Hale	20	20
Widow	Hughes	2	2
John	Hayward	13	13
Thomas	Harrison	34	34
Robert	Harle	25	25
Joyce	Issod	40	40
Elizabeth	Issod	10	10
James	Jamblin	10	10
Cuthbert	Jackson	11	11
Thomas	Isaac	4	4
Joseph	Jenkins	15	15
Thomas	Kirby	84	84
John	Knight	80	80

Edward	Leeds	310	310
Edward	Leeds Junr	70	70
Peter	De Lannoy	9	9
Elizabeth	Leeds	5	5
John	Lardner	2	2
Elizabeth	Lowe	3	3
Sarah	De Lannoy	2	2
Richard	Matthews deceased	280	280
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48	48
Nathanael	Matson	240	240
Mary	Mason deceased	40	40
Thomas	Martin	50	50
Lascells	Metcalfe	111	111
Gilbert	Molleson	20	20
Joseph	Moore deceased	40	40
John	Muchlow	52	52
Jonathan	Mason	49	49
Cornelius	Mason Junr	45	45
Lascells	Metcalfe junr	5	5
Christian	Metcalfe senr	5	5
Christian	Metcalfe junr	5	5
Joseph	Moore	10	10
Anne	Moore	30	30
Daniel	Mocher	15	15
James	Mackall	5	5
William	Ockenden	170	170
Thomas	Oades	35	35
John	Oxdon	6	6
Benjamin	Osgood	5	5
Arthur	Ogle	7	7
Clement	Plumsted deceased	10	10
Mary	Perkins	40	40
John	Peirie	20	20
Richard	Parks	20	20
John	Pilkington Esq	6	6
Andrew	Pitt	24	24
Thomas	Plumstead	11	11
Mortimer	Powell	20	20
Alexander	Pyot	5	5
John	Palmer	2	2
Abel	Pearse	10	10
William	Purdue	5	5
Michael	Russell	42	42
John	Rayner deceased	20	20
Joseph	Rawbon junr	20	20
James	Richardson	6	6

William	Raine	1	1
William	Smith	293	293
Joseph	Saunders	55	55
Joseph	Stanburgh	13	13
John	Salter	10	10
Philip	Storey	5	5
William	Squire	5	5
Elizabeth	Raine	2	2
John	Rotheram	1	1
George	Rand	1	1
Richard	Reynolds	2	2
William	Russell	1	1
Jonathan	Scarth	6	6
Christopher	Smith	2	2
James	Simonson	1	1
Elizabeth	Steger	2	2
Josiah	Stevens	4	4
Elizabeth	Slow	4	4
Francis	Spencer	1	1
John	Tomkins	5	5
Timothy	Treadaway	10	10
John	Taylor	11	11
John	Tatnall	26	26
John	Toms	31	31
John	Toovey	15	15
Thomas	Thomas	8	8
William	Taylor	1	1
John	Taylor	6	6
John	Usher deceased	60	60
Mary	Usher	20	20
Kathleen	Usher	20	20
John	Vanderwall	14	14
Edward	Wright	226	226
Arthur	Woolley	230	230
Abell	Wilkinson	50	50
Dr Thomas	Walsh	20	20
Rev John	Willis	110	110
Robert	Wall	90	90
William	Woolley	60	60
John	Wall	52	52
Prudence	Wilson	14	14
John	Woolley	20	20
Simeon	Warner	29	29
John	Willmer	20	20
Samuel	Wilson	6	6
William	Wright Esq	68	68

Henry	Wright Esq	42	42
Samuel	Wright	3	3
Eleanor	Willan	3	3
William	Walker	4	4
William	Wilkinson	1	1
Robert	Willan	5	5
Robert	Wise	1	1
James	Ward	5	5
Thomas	Zachary	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
	Total	<u>7541</u>	<u>£7541</u>

Ann Chokk and Sollom Emlyn, took the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of the Company.

Dr Edward Wright reported that William Stoddart had executed the Lease of Shildon mine in the liberty of Blanchland in the county of Northumberland bearing date the 27th June past to commence from and after the 10th day of March 1727 for and during the full end and term of 21 years from the next ensuing.

17th July 1722 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 11 ingots of silver, 621 lb. 6 oz 0 pw 13 gr. Standard. Value £1926 13s 2d.

24th July 1722 LLC 5

Thomas Plumsted signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter in open Court before the Governor & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

Dr Wright & Mr Creed reported what they had learned about the silver mines in Scotland.

Sir John Areskine's (*Erskine*) silver mine is towards Sterling, called Alva, wrought a little by him, but being forfeited by his joining with the Pretender; the Government had it viewed and tried by the order of the Prince, when Regent. The report to the Lord of the Treasury we saw, which was very rich in several trials made before the officers of the Mint in Scotland and signed by them about which time Sir John got his pardon at the request of The Czar whose Phisiton (*sic*) was a near relation of Sir John and so is vested to his Estate again, but being impoverished by these things he has wrought but little since & has been persuaded by his friends to lease it to some able undertaking; several have attempted to take them but hitherto without success, either Sir John not liking the persons or the persons his terms or some other impediment however tis thought if Sir John liked the undertakers he would alter his terms and would let the whole liberty, which is above 2 miles long and above one mile broad, in which several trials have been made, and a pretty deal of rich ore got, but it seems not a great deal wrought, the soil being pretty hard and some water affecting some parts of the works.; by Sir John's letter there are several veins of different breadth with smaller & larger ribs of ore which are expected to grow stronger in the depths. The veins being full of Spar & mine soil.

The custom in Scotland is 1/10 of all Gold & Silver to the Crown. but its believed if it were found worth while might be compounded for on easier terms, by the interest could be made in the matter.

The Gentlemen who Sir John has corresponded with in this affair is one Campbell living in the Pall Mall.

He seems desirous to promote an agreement between the Company and Sir John rather than with any others that have applied about it, and was very cautious of saying anything but what Sir John himself has written, whose letters we read and he gave leave to take such of them as we thought fit and some samples of the rich ore, Promising to return them, he believes Sir John to be a man of great honour and far for desiring any body should be imposed on or hurt

in the affairs of his mines; and therefore believes he would give a time of trial before he has any fine paid him. This Gentleman's health called him to Tunbridge, so have seen him but once.

These Samples of ore seem to be as rich as any of the reports have made them; since the very Silver is plentifully visible in them. The report being read, it was unanimously agreed that a draft of a lease be immediately prepared from Sir John Areskine to the Company for his whole liberty of the mines in the hills of Alva and that Mr Campbell be consulted therein, and then laid before this Court for their approbation.

Ordered. That the Deputy Governor, Dr Wright & Mr Creed or any 2 of them do attend Mr Campbell at Tunbridge and adjust the said draft and obtain his letter in favour of it to Sir John Areskine.

The History of Parliament ("Member Biographies, Ref Volumes 1690-1715, Author D. W. Hayton, Crown copyright and The History of Parliament Trust 1964-2012") gives the following information

The key to his rehabilitation was the large deposit of silver ore he had found on his estate some four years earlier, and which he had until 1715 mined in secret, with the help of a servant, and one or two of his 'poorer tenants'. The servant, the only member of the workforce who had understood what it was that they were digging, informed the government of the existence of the mine. Immediately various friends and relations, most notably John Haldane, began to try and exploit the situation to wheedle a pardon for Erskine, provided that he made a full discovery of the whereabouts and extent of the mine, the incentive for the King being the share in the profits which according to Scottish law would fall to the crown. ... Eventually a kinsman, Sir Harry Stirling, was dispatched to the Continent with a firm offer of a pardon, which Erskine accepted because of lack of funds and the demands of creditors.

31st July 1722 LLC 5

Ordered. That Dr Wright & Mr Creed do as soon as may be send to Sir John Areskine a close copy of the draft of a lease of his whole Liberty of his hills of Alva with the reasons for varying what he insists on in his letter, also to write to Sir John what has been suggested in this affair with Mr Campbell also a copy of the said draft to Mr Campbell with a copy of the above reasons & letter to Sir John.

Also Ordered. That this affair be kept secret and not to be divulged by any of the Court of Assistants.

Dr Wright & Mr Creed Reported that they had attended Esq Campbell at Tunbridge Wells and fully discoursed and in good measure adjusted a draft of a lease of Sir John Areskine's mines in Scotland.

7th August 1722 LLC 5

Dr Wright reported that Mr James Creed and he had sent away a close copy of the Draft of a lease to both parties as ordered in the last Court.

Dr Wright also reported that he had paid this day To The Honourable Spencer Complaint Enquiry Receiver General to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales the fine for the renewal of Prestatin Lease for 31 years from June last Viz. £402 10s which is £2 10s more than he had warrant for. so that he must have credit for the said £2 10s.

Thomas Richardson took the oath and John Obee signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

21st August 1722 LLC 5

Robert Street signed the declaration in lieu of the oath & Nich Blowing, took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

11th September 1722 LLC 5

Katherine Robinson took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

18th September 1722 LLC 5

Nathanial Brassey took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

6th November 1722 LLC 5

Richard Wise and William took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

13th November 1722 LLC 5

Mathew Tompkins took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

20th November 1722 LLC 5

David Lee, Thomas Butler, Timothy Treadaway & John Gallatly junr took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

27th November 1722 LLC 5

John Elliott signed the declaration in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of the Company.

4th December 1722 LLC 5

Samuel Wilson signed the declaration in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of the Company.

11th December 1722 LLC 5

Robert Burleston, Elizabeth Peck & John Peck severally, took the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of the Company.

18th December 1722 LLC 5

The Court considering that most of the Company works are in about the same condition as at Midsummer last and the very great prospects continuing of further considerable improvements of them both in Wales and Derbyshire as well as by agreement now making with Sir John Areskine for his rich Silver mines, which by several assays made of the ore by Thomas Barker upon the spot yielded near one thousand pound value upon a Ton of it also the price of lead holding so well up. It was ordered that warrants be made for 20 shillings per share for Christmas dividend.

Nathaniel Green, Thomas Isaack, & Joseph Barret severally took the oaths Lee Chapman & Peter Collinson signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of the Company.

1st January 1723 LLC 5

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend due at Xmas to several proprietors on 7551 shares at 20s per share.

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	44	44		
George	Archer	34	34		
John	Atkin	8	8		
Charles	du Bois	80	80		
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	55		
Thomas	Boddington	70	70		
Henry	Barne	55	55		
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	9		
Elizabeth	Ball	6	6		
James	Bowles	20	20		
Mary	Barnard	13	13		
Robert	Burlston	5	5		
Daniel	Bell	5	5		
Joseph	Barrel	10	10		
Richard	Bailey	10	10		
Messrs	Bur & Hagen	3	3		
Joseph	Bromley	3	3		
Isaac	Boddington	3	3		
John	Brown	3	3		
Thomas	Butler	2	2		
Dr Christ'r	Crell	93	93		
Thomas	Cooper deceased	40	40		
Elizabeth	Clay deceased	80	80		
John	Clarke	27	27		
Ann	Chokk	25	25		
Mary	Collard	8	8		
Paul	Crell	40	40		
James	Creed	225	225		
Richard	Collet deceased	133	133		
John	Crow	30	30		
Judith	Cant	8	8		
Elizabeth	Crell	17	17		
Leonard	Chapman	5	5		
Nathanial	Carter	5	5		
Joseph	Collet Esq	34	34		
Henrietta	Collet	6	6		
Peter	Collinson	13	13		
	Colvell	1	1		
Walter	Coleman	2	2		
Alexander	Crouch	2	2		
Abraham	Coleman	3	3		
Richard	Diamond	110	110		
Joan	Dant deceased	100	100		
Richard	Dowdswell Esq	15	15		
Rev William	Dowdswell	20	20		

Thomas	Emlin	30	30
Richard	Eames deceased	55	55
William	Every	10	10
Elizabeth	Eames	10	10
Thomas	Eades	5	5
Sollom	Emelyn	5	5
John	Elliott	10	10
William	Emmit	3	3
William	Eburne	2	2
Enoch	Floyd	205	205
John	Freame	110	110
Nathanial	Ford	104	104
Sarah	Fisher	40	40
Deborah	Fisher	30	30
Hannah	Fisher	30	30
Joseph	Freame	49	49
	Fisher	1	1
William	Fell	3	3
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	40
Thomas	Gould	100	100
Richard	Gerrey	36	36
John	Gopsil	15	15
John	Garret	10	10
Thomas	Gould junr	20	20
Egbert	Guede	25	25
Benjamin	Gravener	20	20
William	Ginn	15	15
Richard	Gray	8	8
Philis	Gwillym	7	7
Joseph	Grove	60	60
John	Gallatley junr	50	50
Nathanial	Green	5	5
Edward	Godfrey	2	2
Nathanial	Gwillym	4	4
Urban	Hall Esq	140	140
John	Haddon	195	195
Joseph	Heale deceased	49	49
Benjamin	Hopkins	84	84
Thomas	Hale	20	20
Rev Henry	Holloway	60	60
John	Holloway	44	44
Joseph	Hill	111	111
Humphrey	Hill	111	111
Beatrice	Harman	21	21
Edward	Hankin	60	60
John	Hubbard	20	20

John	Howard	5	5
Thomas	Harrison	34	34
Robert	Harle	25	25
John	Hayward	13	13
Widow	Hughes	2	2
Joyce	Issod	25	25
Elizabeth	Issod	25	25
James	Jamblin	10	10
Cuthbert	Jackson	11	11
Thomas	Isaack	12	12
Joseph	Jenkins	15	15
Thomas	Kirby	84	84
John	Knight	45	45
Edward	Leeds	310	310
Edward	Leeds Junr	70	70
Elizabeth	Leeds	5	5
David	Lee	10	10
James	Lambert	10	10
John	Lardner	2	2
Elizabeth	Lowe	3	3
Sarah	De Lannoy	3	3
Ann	De Lannoy	3	3
Richard	Matthews deceased	280	280
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48	48
Nathanael	Matson	240	240
Mary	Mason deceased	40	40
Lascells	Metcalf	111	111
Joseph	Moore deceased	40	40
John	Muchlow	52	52
Jonathan	Mason	51	51
Cornelius	Mason Junr	45	45
Lascells	Metcalf junr	5	5
Christian	Metcalf senr	5	5
Christian	Metcalf junr	5	5
Joseph	Moore	10	10
Anne	Moore	40	40
James	Mackall	5	5
Daniel	Mocher	15	15
Edward	Miller	6	6
Thomas	May	4	4
John	Newton	5	5
William	Ockenden deceased	170	170
Thomas	Oades	20	20
Benjamin	Osgood	18	18
Arthur	Ogle	7	7
Mary	Ockendon	5	5

John	Obee	3	3
Clement	Plumsted deceased	10	10
Mary	Perkins	40	40
John	Peirie deceased	20	20
Richard	Parks	20	20
John	Pilkington Esq	6	6
Andrew	Pitt	24	24
Mortimer	Powell	20	20
Abel	Pearse	10	10
William	Purdue	5	5
John	Peck	7	7
Elizabeth	Peck	7	7
John	Palmer	2	2
Gravett	Philips	3	3
Jonathan	Prideaux	10	10
Michael	Russell	42	42
John	Rayner deceased	20	20
Joseph	Rawbon junr	20	20
James	Richardson	6	6
Thomas	Richardson	17	17
William	Read	17	17
William	Raine	1	1
Elizabeth	Raine	2	2
William	Russell	1	1
Richard	Reynolds	4	4
John	Rotherum	1	1
Katherine	Robinson	4	4
George	Rand	2	2
William	Smith	293	293
Joseph	Saunders	52	52
John	Salter	10	10
Philip	Storey	5	5
William	Squire	5	5
Jonathan	Scarth	6	6
Robert	Street	5	5
Christopher	Smith	2	2
James	Simonson	4	4
Elizabeth	Steger	2	2
Josiah	Stevens	4	4
Francis	Spencer	1	1
Elizabeth	Slow	4	4
James	Simonson junr	2	2
John	Tomkins	5	5
John	Taylor	7	7
Timothy	Treadaway	30	30
John	Tatnall	26	26

John	Toms	40	40
John	Toovey	50	50
Thomas	Thomas	8	8
John	Taylor of Woodford	6	6
William	Taylor	1	1
Edmund	Togwell	3	3
John	Usher deceased	60	60
Mary	Usher	20	20
Kathleen	Usher	20	20
John	Vanderwall	14	14
Edward	Wright	180	180
Arthur	Woolley	222	222
Abell	Wilkinson	50	50
Dr Thomas	Walsh	20	20
Rev John	Willis	110	110
Robert	Wall	90	90
William	Woolley	60	60
John	Wall	72	72
Prudence	Wilson	16	16
John	Woolley	33	33
John	Willmer	20	20
Simeon	Warner	30	30
William	Wright Esq	68	68
Henry	Wright Esq	42	42
Richard	Wise	10	10
James	Ward	12	12
Robert	Willan	5	5
James	Wilkinson	20	20
Samuel	Wright	3	3
Eleanor	Willan	3	3
William	Walker	4	4
William	Wilkinson	1	1
Thomas	Woodward	3	3
Thomas	Zachary	5	5
	Total	<u>7551</u>	<u>£7551</u>

3rd January 1723 LLC 5

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants
The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Charles Du Bois Esq

Mr Arthur Woolley

Dr Edward Wright

Mr William Smith

Mr Benjamin Hopkins

Mr Edward Leeds junr

Mr Edward Leeds

Mr John Haddon

Mr Samuel Beachcroft

Dr Thomas Walsh

Mr John Toms

Mr James Creed

8th January 1723 LLC 5

Edward Miller, Richard Bailey & Samuel Orme severally took the oath, & Joseph Grove signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

15th January 1723 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 12 ingots of silver, 794 lb. 7 oz 3 pw 12 gr. Standard. Value £2463 6s 0d.

Thomas Cox took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of the Company.

22nd January 1723 LLC 5

Arthur Ogle took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of the Company.

29th January 1723 LLC 5

Thomas Stainbank & Samuel Collet took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of the Company.

5th February 1723 LLC 5

John Brown, Thomas Townsend took the oath appointed by the Charter and Richard Baker signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of the Company.

19th February 1723 LLC 5

Joseph Collet, Henrietta Collet & George Smyth took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of the Company.

19th March 1723 LLC 5

Thomas Eades signed the declaration in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of the Company.

26th March 1723 LLC 5

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 3rd of January 1722 to 2nd Jan 1723 inclusive.

Urban Hall Esq	£13	3s	7d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£13	17s	2d
Dr Edward Wright	£13	14s	10d
Mr Edward Leeds	£13	14s	10d
Mr John Haddon	£13	11s	6d
Mr William Smith	£13	14s	6d
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	£11	0s	6d
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	£13	14s	10d
Mr Arthur Woolley	£12	12s	11d
Mr John Toms	£12	18s	7d
Mr James Creed	£11	12s	8d
Mr Edward Leeds Junr	£7	7s	9d
	<u>£151</u>	<u>4s</u>	<u>0d</u>

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Sub-committee from the 10th of January 1722 to 2nd Jan 1723.

Dr Edward Wright	£18	6s	0d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£18	6s	0d
Mr John Haddon	£18	6s	0d

Mr Edward Leeds

£15	18s	0d
£70	16s	0d

James and Henry Wilkinson severally took the oath appointed by the charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

2nd April 1723 LLC 5

Philip Storey signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of the Company.

9th April 1723 LLC 5

John Tanner & Israel Hale signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of the Company.

23rd April 1723 LLC 5

Philip Cole, James Simionson and Thomas May took the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of the Company.

30th April 1723 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 6 ingots of silver, 357 lb. 3 oz 15 pw 19 gr. Standard. Value £1107 13s 7d.

William Fletcher & Edward Godfrey took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of the Company.

7th May 1723 LLC 5

A warrant was given the treasurer to pay Elizabeth Fisher £35 2s, Henry Latemer £11, John Clarke £1 17s for 248 bushels of Bone Ash and 120 casks & shipped on board the Hannah, George Richardson master for Newcastle.

The answer to a bill exhibited in Chancery against The Company by William Hodgson concerning the Liberty of Ale Fell in the County of Northumberland and the Mannor of Priorsdale in the County of Cumberland being engrossed read & agreed to.

Also Ordered. That the Seal of this Corporation be affixed to the counterpart of an agreement with Sir John Areskine for the liberty of Alva in Scotland dated 21st October 1723.

14th May 1723 LLC 5

Hannah Burley signed the declaration in lieu of the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of the Company.

21st May 1723 LLC 5

Ordered that the treasurer have credit for £6 17s for 55 bushels of bone ash shipped to Newcastle.

William Eburn signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of the Company.

28th May 1723 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 4 ingots of silver, 247 lb. 2 oz 3 pw 10 gr. Standard. Value £766 2s 3d.

11th June 1723 LLC 5

Dr Edward Wright Reported that he had delivered the Executed Agreement under the Common Seal of this Corporation with Sir John Areskine, to Mr James Campbell (who was going down to Edinburgh) to be exchanged for that executed by Sir John Areskine.

25th June 1723 LLC 5

The Court considering the many great and promising adventures the Company have now depending in Wales, Derbyshire & particularly the rich Silver Mines in Scotland together with the good Produce of Trelogan & other works and the great prices & demand for lead do think it for the interest of the proprietors to order the midsummer dividend to be continued at 20s per share in hopes that some of the trials with others to be made in fresh Liberty's lately taken may enable the Company to go on the same, and that nothing may be wanting in the Court of Assistants to contribute to their utmost thereto, they do think it proper to have their works in Derbyshire, Scotland and Wales forthwith viewed and pushed with utmost vigour in all their branches in order to it

Resolved That Dr Wright & Mr Creed be desired to take upon them the trouble of this Long Journey, and they take their own times of setting out and proceed their own way in all respects and this Court will defray the charge.

2nd July 1723 LLC 5

Ordered. That the Seal of this Corporation be affixed on the Counterpart of a further lease from Arthur Glegg &c., of the Lordship or Hundred of Prestatin in the County of Flint dated 23rd October 1722 for 20 years to commence from the 1st July 1723.

The Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend due at Midsummer last to several proprietors on 7559 shares at 20s per share £7559.

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	44	44		
George	Archer	34	34		
John	Atkin	8	8		
Charles	Du Bois	80	80		
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	55		
Thomas	Boddington	70	70		
Henry	Barne	55	55		
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	9		
Elizabeth	Ball	6	6		
James	Bowles	20	20		
Mary	Barnard	12	12		
Robert	Burlston	5	5		
Daniel	Bell	10	10		
Joseph	Barrel	10	10		
John	Brown	10	10		
Margaret	Breach	14	14		
Richard	Baker	10	10		
Isaac	Boddington	3	3		
Thomas	Butler	2	2		
Messrs	Bur & Hagen	3	3		
Joseph	Bromley	3	3		
Dr Christ'r	Crell	93	93		
Thomas	Cooper deceased	40	40		
Elizabeth	Clay deceased	80	80		
John	Clarke	26	26		
Ann	Chokk	25	25		

Mary	Collard	8	8
Paul	Crell	40	40
James	Creed	106	106
Richard	Collet deceased	133	133
John	Crow	30	30
Judith	Cant	8	8
Elizabeth	Crell	17	17
Leonard	Chapman	10	10
Nathanial	Carter	10	10
Joseph	Collet Esq	50	50
Henrietta	Collet	6	6
Peter	Collinson	13	13
Thomas	Cox	10	10
Samuel	Collett Esq	25	25
	Colvell	1	1
Walter	Coleman	2	2
Alexander	Crouch	2	2
Abraham	Coleman	3	3
Philip	Cole	12	12
Richard	Diamond	110	110
Joan	Dant deceased	100	100
Richard	Dowdswell Esq	15	15
Rev William	Dowdswell	20	20
John	Deeble	5	5
Thomas	Emlin	30	30
Richard	Eames deceased	45	45
William	Every	10	10
Elizabeth	Eames	10	10
Sollom	Emelyn	15	15
John	Elliott	10	10
William	Emmit	3	3
Johannes	Edens	5	5
Enoch	Floyd	175	175
John	Freame	110	110
Nathanial	Ford	109	109
Sarah	Fisher	40	40
Deborah	Fisher	30	30
Hannah	Fisher	30	30
Joseph	Freame	49	49
Thomas	Fellows	5	5
John	Fallowfield	5	5
William	Fell	5	5
James	Fisher	1	1
Jacob	Foster	5	5
Co	Fletcher	5	5
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	40

Thomas	Gould	100	100
Richard	Gerrey	36	36
John	Gopsil	15	15
John	Garret	20	20
Thomas	Gould junr	20	20
Egbert	Guede	25	25
Benjamin	Gravener	20	20
William	Ginn	20	20
Richard	Gray	8	8
Phillis	Gwillym	7	7
Joseph	Grove	60	60
John	Gallatley junr	55	55
Nathanial	Green	5	5
Nathanial	Gwillym	4	4
Urban	Hall Esq	120	120
John	Haddon	180	180
Joseph	Heale	31	31
Benjamin	Hopkins	87	87
Thomas	Hale	20	20
Rev Henry	Holloway	48	48
John	Holloway	44	44
Joseph	Hill	111	111
Humphrey	Hill	111	111
Beatrice	Harman	21	21
Edward	Hankin	60	60
John	Hubbard	20	20
John	Howard	5	5
Thomas	Harrison	34	34
Robert	Harle	25	25
John	Hayward	13	13
Widow	Hughes	2	2
Israel	Hale	5	5
Caleb	Hughes junr	7	7
Joyce	Issod	25	25
Elizabeth	Issod	25	25
James	Jamblin	10	10
Cuthbert	Jackson	11	11
Thomas	Isaack	28	28
Joseph	Jenkins	15	15
Thomas	Kirby	84	84
John	Knight	55	55
Ann	King	1	1
Edward	Leeds	310	310
Edward	Leeds Junr	70	70
Elizabeth	Leeds	5	5
David	Lee	10	10

James		Lambert	18	18
Ann	De	Lannoy	3	3
John		Lardner	2	2
Elizabeth		Lowe	3	3
Sarah	De	Lannoy	3	3
Richard		Matthews deceased	280	280
Cornelius		Mason deceased	48	48
Nathanael		Matson	240	240
Mary		Mason deceased	40	40
Lascells		Metcalf	111	111
John		Muchlow	32	32
Jonathan		Mason	51	51
Cornelius		Mason Junr	45	45
Lascells		Metcalf junr	5	5
Christian		Metcalf senr	5	5
Christian		Metcalf junr	5	5
Joseph		Moore	70	70
Anne		Moore	40	40
James		Mackall	5	5
Daniel		Mocher	15	15
Edward		Miller	6	6
Gilbert		Molleson	5	5
Thomas		May	4	4
John Henry		Martins	3	3
John		Newton	5	5
William		Ockenden deceased	170	170
Thomas		Oades	20	20
Benjamin		Osgood	18	18
Mary		Ockendon	15	15
John		Obee	3	3
Clement		Plumsted deceased	10	10
Mary		Perkins	40	40
John		Peirie deceased	20	20
Richard		Parks	20	20
John		Pilkingon Esq	6	6
Andrew		Pitt	24	24
Mortimer		Powell	20	20
Abel		Pearse	10	10
William		Purdue	5	5
John		Peck	6	6
Elizabeth		Peck	7	7
Jonathan		Prideaux	10	10
John		Palmer	2	2
Gravett		Philips	3	3
Michael		Russell	42	42
John		Rayner deceased	20	20

Joseph	Rawbon junr	20	20
James	Richardson	6	6
Thomas	Richardson	17	17
William	Read	27	27
Katherine	Robinson	4	4
William	Raine	1	1
Elizabeth	Raine	2	2
John	Rotherum	1	1
Richard	Reynolds	5	5
William	Russell	1	1
George	Rand	2	2
Joseph	Russell	1	1
William	Smith	306	306
Joseph	Saunders	47	47
John	Salter	10	10
Philip	Storey	5	5
William	Squire	5	5
Jonathan	Scarth	6	6
Robert	Street	5	5
George	Smith	10	10
Christopher	Smith	2	2
James	Simonson	4	4
Elizabeth	Steger	2	2
James	Simonson junr	2	2
Josiah	Stevens	4	4
Elizabeth	Stowe	4	4
Francis	Spencer	1	1
John	Tomkins	5	5
John	Taylor	7	7
Timothy	Treadaway	30	30
John	Tatnall	26	26
John	Toms	42	42
John	Toovey	50	50
Thomas	Thomas	8	8
John	Taylor of Woodford	6	6
Capt	Townshend	4	4
John	Usher deceased	60	60
Mary	Usher	20	20
Kathleen	Usher	20	20
John	Vanderwall	14	14
Edward	Wright	130	130
Arthur	Woolley	207	207
Abell	Wilkinson	50	50
Dr Thomas	Walsh	20	20
Rev John	Willis	110	110
Robert	Wall	90	90

William	Woolley	60	60
John	Wall	72	72
Prudence	Wilson	16	16
John	Woolley	33	33
John	Willmer	20	20
Simeon	Warner	60	60
William	Wright Esq	68	68
Henry	Wright Esq	42	42
James	Ward	25	25
Robert	Willan	5	5
James	Wilkinson	30	30
Henry	Wilkinson	10	10
Samuel	Wright	3	3
Eleanor	Willan	3	3
Thomas	Woodward	3	3
William	Walker	4	4
William	Wilkinson	1	1
Mary	Wiggons	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
	Total	<u>7559</u>	<u>£7559</u>

Caleb Hughes signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

16th July 1723 LLC 5

Mary Wiggins took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

30th July 1723 LLC 5

John Ryall signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

10th September 1723 LLC 5

John Fisher took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

17th September 1723 LLC 5

Report of the visitation to the Company's works.

We left London on Friday the 5th July and got to Winster on Wednesday the 10th in the evening, having on our way called at Mr Morleys who has a house with convenience of water for smelting &c. and was one of the places viewed by Jethro Norman. The next day we spent in viewing the Companys several Adventures as follows.

At the Level; from the Bowling green went down the forefield shaft from whence they have driven about 50 fathom, and is about 100 fathom from the Sough mouth, and wants only 4 fathoms of Crossing Delf Vein the driving is about West inclining to the South went down Knockin Small shaft & past on in a drift to the Great Shaft about 40 fathoms, and on to the forefield 15 fathoms more, where they now get some small quantity of ore daily, but is poor, they design driving forward at the forefield and sinking at the Old Man's shaft this Summer, in order to make a full trial, the work men have great hopes from the breadth of the vein, and many signs of strength as appears in it, that it will make you a very good work.

Went after to Cettors Langtor, which is dry, and ore got upon bargain at 16s per load being about 3 loads per tun a load being a dish, each load about 6 cwt 2 qr.

Clerke Langtor watered but being now near dry, design to bare the Oldman's forefield which will be about a weeks work, the old man says he left ore in but dipping.

Longtar Yate is nothing done at being watered, Greenpitts have bared the Old Man but being come to water in this dry season think cannot have sunk deep.

Primes Grove stands still being a great trial has been made & nothing encouraging can be found.

Watering Close is a very likely trial have seven shafts on it on 4 several veins, is down 20 fathoms and in a promising vein.

On Friday the 12th we set forward, but had great difficulty to get again into the Road, the straight and stony way being very dangerous for a coach and fatiguing for horses and our selves. On Wednesday the 17th we got to Newcastle in the morning, we rested the remainder of that day and the 18th, being very handsomely entertained by Alderman Ray & Mr Coulson and other Gentlemen there & had a handsome invitation to dine with the Mayor.

Friday the 19th we set forward and came to Edinburgh on Tuesday the 23rd where we were welcomed by Mr Campbell of London, Sir John Areskine and his brother Mr Charles Areskine, Mr Campbell of Menzie and several other Gentlemen friends of Sir John as also by Robert Wightman, Mr George Irwing & Mr Drummond one of their partners & a Commissioner of the Custom House, after we dined with Sir John Areskine who entertained us then and the next day very handsomely—and delivered to us the lease executed by him to the Company.

Thursday the 25th we dined with Mr Wightman & supped with Mr Campbell of Menzie, Friday the 26th we dined with Mr Provost Campbell one of the Members of Parliament a very civil gentleman & friend to Sir John, & in the afternoon with Sir John Areskine.

We set out for Hoptoun house by invitation from the Earl where we lay and were entertained very kindly and in an extreme handsome manner. The next morning we had a pretty deal of discourse with his Lordship concerning his mines and Liberties and he is very willing the Company should be adventurous with him, on any reasonable terms and ordered his steward George Sherriff should attend us at Lead Hills that we might view his works & Liberties which we did accordingly.

Saturday the 27th we parted from Lord Hoptoun and went with Sir John Areskine to his own house, being on our way at Sterling Complimented with Burgess Ticketts.

John Newton & Abraham Watson who met us at Edinburgh attended us to the Lord Hoptoun, and to Sir John's, Sunday the 28th we had a great deal of discourse with Sir John the whole day being spent in his house, on Monday the 29th & 30th we went to view the Silver mines.

Gold Vein is driven in a strait drift about 20 fathoms North driven at about 6s per fathom, a pretty wide vein consisting of black blue & white soil, with Spar like that of the Silver vein & specks of ore in it now and then.

Donnalls vein is a fair vein with very ponderous spar in colour near that of the Silver vein, and not above 20 fathom from it Westward, a shaft sunk about 7 yards and driven north about 16 fathoms some sparks of ore now and then a cross cut now making at the forefield from whence to sink for air.

Silver Vein, sunk about a fathom in the sump, driven 8 fathoms in the lower forefield north, at the first driving there was spar and soil and specks of ore, but latterley more barren of all those, 5 fathom under the level driven a double drift in quest of the vein south from the level mouth and made a cross cut in all about 7 or 8 fathom, nothing appearing and the rock so very hard, they made a hush which has made a discovery of the vein at some more distance Viz about 30 fathoms, where have set on men to sink at present is pretty soft.

Driven a said drift in the level with the sump head about 5 yards in softness, which is most promising for soil &c. but as the upper & lower drifts are driven about it 12 fathoms further makes the middle on the less necessary but its continued, because there are sparkes of ores in it as they drive.

The Upper Drift in the Silver vein is driven 5 fathoms in hard rock where appears several things in the Top of the vein but be scattered and barren, not thought worth pursuing & impression in quest of the vein is made in 4 several places in the burn north from Sir John's workings, where the vein is found barren and hard in each trial except Hill Burn foot where is sunk and driven about 12 fathoms the vein appearing pretty fair with spar and small sparks of ore, the spar and soil much like that where rich ore was gotten though at 150 fathoms distance, north, the vein is discovered about 20 fathoms further north than Hillburn foot, where the bottom of the burn has been cleared so as to gain about 3 yards height of the vein running into the rising ground above. In driving the Level vein East they have cut a vein which they call the Smithy vein running North, as the Silver vein, and about 30 fathoms distant from it, East in soil much like the other veins, so that there are now working a vein on each side the Silver vein running the same course with it one to the other about 30 fathom distance, besides the Gold vein, which lies yet further West.

We were entertained by Sir John very handsomely and in a very friendly manner, he is an ingenious gentleman & so well satisfied and pleased with the Company's proceedings with respect to his mines, and there is no doubt of making a fresh agreement with him for his mines if the present subsisting bargain should not be proceeded on at expiration of time of trial, and believe he will come up to London himself, if there should be occasion to make a fresh agreement, he in a manner promised as much & looks upon himself obliged to do, as the Company have performed so handsomely, all that was expected on their part.

The ore is prodigious rich as the Company has been before satisfied in.

We had several samples and some took out of the mines which being very weighty and cumbersome to carry round our journey we left to come up by sea, and are arrived.

On Wednesday the 31st July we left Alva dined at Sterling and lay at Linlithgow, at which place we had as afore at Sterling through Sir Johns means the Compliment paid us of being made Burgesses.

The 1st August we went with Sir John to view the Silver mines of Tartravan, mentioned in Lex Mercatoria, got some small samples of ore, that property is in the Earl of Hoptoun we after got to Edinburgh the same day, Sir John not only entertained us at his own house but most of the time of our stay at Edinburgh and all the way up the road to and from his house.

On Friday the 2nd August we entertained Sir John & his friends at Dinner, and in the evening Supper at Mr Wightmans with most of the Magistrates of the City at which time we were presented with the Freedom & Admission of Guild Bretheren with a great deal of forme and Ceremony at Which Mr George Drummond particularly assisted as being Dean of the Guild we had a very handsome supper & what is very remarkable at all these ceremony's of Freedom Ship, we were no where suffered to be at any expense, neither for entertainment nor to any Clerke or officers whatever.

On the 6th August they proceeded to Wanlockhead and arrived the next day at noon, and viewed the works there, viewing, Low level, Old Glencrief, Whiteclugh, Belton Grain vein, New Glencrief. One of the instructions to their agent was to provide the miners with such provisions that they could not conveniently be furnished from first hand, but without making any profit.

They left for Wales on the 12th arriving at Gadlis on the 18th at night. They viewed the Coal works on the 19th and on the 20th went to the Mountain, on the 23rd they viewed the workhouse at Gadlis. The stock at the workhouse was about 1,000 Tons of ore. The stock at the mines was about 300 Tons of ore. About 150 Tons of lead for sale, and 50 Tons for refining. They left Chester on the 28th and arrived back in London on the 11th September 1723. (They had not viewed the works in Alston or Northumberland)

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Saturday the 3, we went with Mess^{rs} Drummond Wightman and Irwing to see the Collection of water made for the Service of the City, - conveyed from about 2 Miles Distance by Leaden pipes, and Dined at Mr Drummonds house out of Town.

Monday the 5th Dined with Mr Campbell of Monzie with Mr James Campbell & Dr John Aveskine and in the Evening we treated those Gent^l; and Several others of their friends at Supper in order to taking our Leave, but the Duke and Dutches of Queensberry being come to Edinburgh the day before & Tavers Douglas having beenth us, that afternoon from the Duke with an Invitation to us to Sup with their Graces.

We were obliged to make two Suppers, we went Accompanyd with Mess^{rs} Wightman Drummond and Irwing about ten in the Evening and were Entertained Extremely handsome and with a great Deal of respect, & had from his Grace (who is Intirely Guided by Tavers) a promise of all reasonable Encouragement on his Liberties particularly as to the Low Levell & and that if were under any hardships should be eased, Tavers likewise promised to use his Interest with the Duke to doe us Service, if wanted on any Account.

We took our Leave of the Duke pretty Early in the Morning and after some rest Tavers cam to us to wish us a good Journey, -

On Tuesday the 6th about noon, we Left Edinburgh Accompanied by Mess^{rs} Wightman & Irwing and Geo Sherriffe and with In^o Newton and Abraham Watson proceeded for Wanlockhead, where we Arrived ^{next day} the 8th about noon, the same afternoon and the day following, we spent in viewing the works there, and Discoursing about the Wastes, which which after a great deal of Dispute they Mr Wightman and Irwing Agreed to Leave to the Company to decide as they pleased & Judged reasonable but said they would Draw up some of their reasons of pretention and Leave it so, tho' they have not from the Conversation, any Expectation Left. The Disposition we found the Mine in and order we Left with the Agents are Viri

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Wentlockhead the 9th August 1723 -

Present.

Rob^t Wightman

Edward Wright -

Geo. Juwing.

James Treco -

The State and order of the Works. as Follows -

Low Levell about 10 Fathom under Wilsons about 200 Fathom -
driven & 100 to Drive, but in so vast a hard rock, & examined from one
End to the other to be so, that the whole time of the Lease, is not by far
sufficient to carry up the same, the last 2 Fathoms being about a
year in doing the wrought night and day: Therefore in order to worke
The Mines as effectually as in our power, and as an Equivalent for that
Low Levell, we propose to drive a Levell within about 4 Fathom of
the Depth of it, into Old Glencreef from the burn, & if any Leadings
from that vein, can be found to encourage the carrying it on to
Whiteclugh, to doe our indeavour in it, and in the mean time to
doe our utmost by Engines &c. to unwater and worke that Vein,
So that if the old vein be peined in or near the place, now Mentioned,
there areundry advantages will accrue to the works, which will
More then Answer the Difference in Levell Viz^t, if the Vein be
peined at the north End, as is proposed by the Low hard Levell,
the ore is near Wrought out there already, by help of the Engines, -
& according to M^r Wilsons acc^t. about 100 Fathom of Dead to drive
this, to the Ore Southward & about the Middle of the old Works. -

2^{dly} The water of Whiteclughs vein being then added to the Mill,
and Whiteclugh burn Waters will inabls to worke the Mines to a
Greater depth, then will be Lost by the Levell N.B. all the Waters, of
of all the old Works, can be apply^d in this Situation of y^e new designed Levell -

Belton Grain vein Lye^s North & South, Lunk a shaft to the
North Forefield and driving to the Vein, which lades to the East,

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in order to Sink a Lump to the roof of the Forefield Drift, where there is a knot of ore may be Wrought about 12 ft Being then to drive on -

Sinking a shaft also to a top Level, at the South End Drivewing in the Vein in pursuit of the ore, the Vein is pretty soft & near drift wide, in black & read Soil, but in case the said Drivewings at each End does not Answer, then to Draw the timbers of that Vein in order to be applyed Else where: -

Old Glenzie cleared up Stampfilds Levell and pursues the vein Southward, on which a shaft being Sunk, good ore appeared near the day, but are not yet Deep enough for want of Levell, but designe to Sink in the Soles where the ore appears, and to pursue the Forefield Southward in order to reach under y^e workes formerly wrought by the Company; where they lost ore, & in any workes that shall first want Air, to try the fire hearth as y^e Dragg of it -

New Glenzie The vagg pumps were just made and will soon be applyed, and it is agreed, that the Soles be prosecuted in the best manner. the Agents shall think most conducive to the Effectual trying & working that Mine till Further orders; there are severall things now working on the East side betwixt the Levell on bargain at 15 ft being till 40 ft being are gotten and then to make a new bargain if the workes admit of it -

Whiteslough or Wilsons old vein, to Let a bargain for not more than 6 Months, on the best terms the Agents can, to see whether any Improvem^t will offer in the ore, & in order to encourage y^e alteration of the present Engine & in the mean time, to consider & make an Estimate of the Charge it would be to turn that into a Bob Engine & collecting all the force of Water, we can to worke it & to make y^e utmost observation, - Whether the Water of Wilsons Levell does come into the Engine Pit, & if it be found to doe so, to use their indeavours to prevent it, and as to y^e South End, the Forefield to be driven and a shaft to be set down thereon when required, - the Middle Levell of this Mine is Driven in all about 95 fathom, cut thro' a belly of Ore 15 fathom Length, drove since about 35 fathom dead, the forefield now in promising Soil with some ore in it, tis agreed they shall go -

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on Driving so Long as they have Air & in case of encouragement by Ore, to air by a day shaft, to the North there is driven 4 drifts in the side of the hill to cut the vein, w^{ch} has been done by 2 of them - at 50 Fathom a fair Soil, but no Ore yet tho' driven and sunk near 30 Fathom in the vein, therefore at present is forsoorn, whilst they carry up one of the other. X cuts to see what the vein will produce at y^t Depth -

New Tryalls The South end of Hopstouns richest Vein - called the high worker, was by a drift in his Liberty Searched for, - near to the boundary of Wanlockhead, & not being discovered in his - Liberty, tis probable it may run into Wanlockhead Liberty, w^{ch} is adjoining, Agreed to apply to the Lord Hopstoun to see whether, we could have the Liberty of his drift upon reasonable terms, to make the Enquiry - into the Duke of Queensberry's Liberty -

There have been within the 1st of May 1724 made 5 new tryalls - Vitz. Mosey burn, Limping ridge, Arthur Grain, Jagghead & The West vein of Belton Grain, it is also recommended to the Agents; - very carefully to inspect the whole Liberty in order to report the most promising places for further discoveries -

Instructions to the Agents -

- 1 You are no profits by Sallery, but to provide the Miners, with such provisions as they cannot conveniently be furnished with from the first hand, on the Mastr charge or credit, without taking more then the prime cost & Charges -
- 2 You are to act always in concert in every thing concerning the works, as well in employing of Men, as in the prosecution, or Superceeding of any piece of work, and as none of you is to employ any man to worke without the others consent, so you are not to dismiss any, that is employed, without Mutuall consent -

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3 You are to keep your Accounts Exactly in the Manner prescribed to you, and make the pays precisely at the times agreed to, by the Masters and you are to bring no bargain into any pay bill but so far as it is actually fulfilled and ore weighed up ~

4 When any difference in opinion happens betwixt you, about y^e prosecuting - or Superceeding any piece of worke, neither of you, is to give directions - contrary to the others Sentiments But to endeavour to come to a Sentement - by reasoning with one an other and to Manage all matters under your inspection with concord to the best Advantage of your Masters ~

AUGUST The 9th in the Morning wee met Geo Sheriffe, Alex Tarke &c, and went with them over y^e Lord Hoptouns & his own Liberties, and Glendorchy, of which they made proposalls, they adjoyn to the Earls, accompanied with Mess^{rs} Wightman & Irwing after Dinner at Wenlockhead, wee Left that Place, Mess^{rs} Wightman & Irwing would see us down Enterkin, to Moore Hill, where wee parted with them, and got that night to Dunfreis, where wee had y^e Provost & other Magistrates in the Evening, & next morning being Saturday the 10th, wee fixed the Bargain with them (they being Traders in Company) for the Lead at Wenlockhead at 20 p^{ts} Stone there till X^{mas}t. They paid us y^e Compliment of Makeing Burgess^s with y^e usuall Ceremony. After wee parted with them and Abia Watton, & got y^e Same night to Carlisle, from whence wee set forward on Monday the 12th after Dinner, and came to Penrith where next Morning wee parted with John Newton, & makeing the best of our way wee came to Nester on Saturday the 17th in y^e afternoon; where wee saw Mr. Rob Pigott who welcomed us with a great deal of Civility ~

Wee came to Gaddis y^e 18th at night. The 19th wee viewed y^e Coal works w^{ch} find in very good order, wee have a certain Range of Extraordined^y Coals in Lenth, about 500 y^d; Depth, ab^t. 80, & thickness 1 1/2 y^d; A. is our water shaft, by means of 2 Forcers are 45 y^d in coal under y^e Levell of its Bottom to B; are now hard at work on the Lowest Levell Vir^t from E to B. y^t by raising all y^e Coals there as soon as possible wee may get rid of y^e Exped^{ts} of the 2 or Lower Forcer ~

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There is not a better Steamer Coal in the Country, have now on the Bank
about 400 Tuns, besides a Large Quantity of Slack

The 26th went to the Mountains, got fine Lumps of Ore at the East End of the old Rake at 100 y^d Deep, and good ore near the Storehouse & more westward, went down and saw very good ore near 4 y^d thick for 50 y^d in Length in the bottoms & Ends of 3 Lumps & each for 50 y^d of same and Likely to hold in & the ore Strongest on y^e Soles, ~ hope by Mich^lmas shall have 300 Tons on the Bank here p^p 100000, & be getting ore at both places as cheap afterwards as we do now - at West End of Opuld^m have lately got some very fine Ore, are now in a Shack, which Lets us down very Kindly to try the Depths, which have hopes will prove very well -

At the Long Rake have double drift or gates 80 y^d Deep and
Fine ore Still Sinking 10th us, but cannot tell wee have a Whimsey
push on y^e Tryall there which is a Valuable one. On the west-
End of Penyfortnewith Vein a private Venturer is Working at
some profit for Tun to the Comp. for 3 wears in Length & of Company -
have the foretold without exp. of Tryall the East end in F. G. M^{ts} Lands
is very likely, where have also discovered an other Likely Vein, have
fine Lumps of Ore in both, -

The Shaft in Penyball Lane & all the E. End of Cap' Pennant's vein proves very hard & Strait, there is a Bargain on ore in the lower part of the said Vein.

Wee doe not work now at Quittia Ball in Grange Tenem^t for y^e Top
of the Hill above Cap^t Pennants Liberty, but Leave the Tryall of a vein
discovered by other Venturers on Bⁿ. Egertons Lands, to be Carried on by
them & if y^e Vein proves, in w^{ch} they have already got some ore, y^e Comp^y
will reap the Benefit of it, in their Ground without y^e Charge for searching
for it at Hazard, The other partners being near our Ground & the
vein pointing into it, futher west on Grange Tenem^t have got severall
Tuns of ore in the Gion Vein, & have lately discovered a Side Vein there
on which are now sinking a shaft for trying it Effectually ~

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M^r Sheriffe Wynn & his family Dined with us this day at Gadlis, on Wednesday The 17 went to Tralogan, for where about 40 y^d in Length the Ore is above 3 foot wide in the Roof & Solbs above the Levell in the Side Vein & in the main Vein for severall y^d above 4 foot wide in the Roof and very good in the Solbs, in both Veins foret to blast the Ore, about 50 or 60 y^d westward very good Ore on place with an other near 2 y^d wide & about 10 y^d under Levell, have Solid Ore 2 foot wide to work which are now Sinking a Whimsey shaft. There are now above 100 Tuns on the Bank & near 100 Tuns more, by Mich^lmas, besides more then 100 Tuns already carryed in this Quarter & hope shall get as much Ore at Least next Quarter as this, but cheaper if not Cheaper

Wee are also Driveng up the Levell westward as fast as possible in order to drain y^e vast flat above us which Doubt not will be of Lasting advantage to the whole work

Wee are now getting very good Ore at the Windmill Feild & at Brindigre desigine a Whimsey on Each of the Lead Veins, have severall Tuns of Ore on y^e Bank at both places, & at the latter, in an other part have lately Driven thro a Twitch into great Softness, the Soil very Kindly & much like to that in the old mans workings where he had very great ore

On the 22 severall Gentlemen of the Country dined with us at Gadlis

On the 23 wee viewed y^e workhouse & took an acc^t of the Stock of the Materialls

At the Workhouse about 1000 Tuns of Ore

At the Mines . . . 300 Tuns more wh^{ch} is more Ore then is in the Whole Country besides

About 150 Tuns of Lead for sale

50 Tuns for Refining

Great Quantities of Slagg & waste which may produce about 150 Tuns of Lead, Coal at the Workhouse 900 Tuns at the Pits 100 Tuns more, Bone for Ashes about 60 Tuns, 115000 Bricks besides Fire Bricks & sundry other sorts a good Quantity, Lime Stone 150 Tun The Iron Timber & Boards at Gadlis & the Mines alone, is a very great Stock near the Value of £3000: as our Stock of Slags & waste are very Large have Ordered T^r Barker to consider of y^e properest place for Smelting them, more Expeditionaly, or any other part of Smelting we may stand in need of

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On Saturday y^e 14th we had an Invitation by M^r Robt Piggot to Breakfast with him the next morning & to Dine with P^r Rich Grosvener which Accordingly we performed, and were Recd and Entertained very Kindly by both, and had promise of Friendships and all Encouragem^t For our Adventuring in P^r Rich Liberty, and Particular promises from M^r Piggot he would at all times be ready to do us any Service wth P^r Rich -

Monday The 26th we dined with M^r Glegg at his Sisters.

Tuesday The 27th M^r Piggot m^r Glegg and Severall other Gen^l Dined with us. Wednesday the 28th we Left Rester to take M^r Barker to the Bath where we arrived Sunday y^e 3rd Septemb^r and Monday in the afternoon went to Bristol where spent a little time with M^r Bar: Harford D^r Lane and R^{amp}ion the two Last made offers of allinds as p^r particulars - and Returned to Bath on Thursday the 3rd & Left Bath Saturday y^e 7th & Came to London on Wednesday y^e 11th Sept. 1723 -

The Court took the said report into Consideration & Ordered. The Thanks of the Court to be given them for the care & pains they had taken, w^{ch} y^e God did accordingly.

Adjourned till Tuesday next
half an hour after 2 in y^e afternoon

1st October 1723 LLC 5

The treasurer reported that there had been added to the £4266 13s 4d this Company's South Sea Stock $6\frac{1}{4}$ per cent which makes the sum of £4533 6s 8d and the midsummer dividend thereon had been received at 3 per cent £136.

8th October 1723 LLC 5

Hopton Haynes Esq took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

15th October 1723 LLC 5

Danielle Bell signed the declaration in lieu of the oath, and Robert Sutton, Samuel Noble & William Souley (severally) took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

22nd October 1723 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 6 ingots of silver, 356 lb. 4 oz 5 pw 0 gr. Standard. Value £1104 13s 8d.

Thomas Fellows signed the declaration in lieu of the oath, appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

29th October 1723 LLC 5

James Simenson took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

5th November 1723 LLC 5

The treasurer reported that he had received at the South Sea House one quarter of a years annuity at 5 per cent per annum on the sum £2266 13s 4d which was due the 29th of September last and which annuity being one half of the Companys South Sea Stock comes to £28 6s 6d.

12th November 1723 LLC 5

William Naylor took the oath and John Fallowfield signed the declaration in lieu of the oath, appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

26th November 1723 LLC 5

Susanna Cooks took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

3rd December 1723 LLC 5

Thomas Plank took the oath and Bryon Wheelock, William Tichmarsh and James Horton signed the declaration in lieu of the oath, appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

17th December 1723 LLC 5

Notwithstanding the works in the North and at Gadlis have not been fully wrought this year by reason of the great drought in the first and sickness at the latter yet upon examination and computation there will be wrought at Gadlis from Xmas 1722 to Xmas 1723 Viz

2000 tunns of ore which according to the last report from thence was reckoned at the utmost to stand in at Gadlis 40s per tun is	£4000	
Smelting it into 1500 tun at 10s tun	£750	By 1500 tun at £11 per tun £16500
To balance, gained	<u>£11750</u>	
	<u>£16500</u>	

Gained by the account above	£11750
Also by refining there and elsewhere	<u>£2550</u>
Makes the Total	<u>£14300</u>

Besides this the North and Scotland has been profitable.

Therefore Ordered. That warrants be made out for a dividend of 20shillings per share for Xmas next against this day Senight and to be issued the 30th instant.

James Jamblin took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

24th December 1723 LLC 5

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend due at Xmas to several proprietors on 7559 shares at 20s per share Viz.

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	44	44		
George	Archer	34	34		
John	Atkin	8	8		
Charles	du Bois	80	80		
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	55		
Thomas	Boddington	70	70		
Henry	Barne	55	55		
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	9		
Elizabeth	Ball	6	6		
James	Bowles	20	20		
Mary	Barnard	12	12		
Robert	Burlston	5	5		
Daniel	Bell	7	7		
Joseph	Barrel	10	10		
John	Brown	10	10		
Richard	Baker	10	10		
Margaret	Breach	24	24		
Isaac	Boddington	3	3		
Thomas	Butler	2	2		
Messrs	Bur & Hagen	3	3		
Joseph	Bromley	3	3		
Margaret	Barnes	1	1		
Dr Christopher	Crell	93	93		
Thomas	Cooper deceased	40	40		
Elizabeth	Clay deceased	80	80		
John	Clarke	26	26		
Ann	Chokk	25	25		
Mary	Collard	8	8		
Paul	Crell	40	40		
James	Creed	70	70		
Richard	Collet deceased	100	100		
John	Crow deceased	30	30		
Judith	Cant	8	8		
Elizabeth	Crell	17	17		

Leonard	Chapman	10	10
Nathanial	Carter	10	10
Joseph	Collet Esq	50	50
Henrietta	Collet	6	6
Peter	Collinson	13	13
Thomas	Cox	10	10
Samuel	Collett Esq	25	25
	Colvell	1	1
Walter	Coleman	2	2
Alexander	Crouch	2	2
Abraham	Coleman	3	3
Philip	Cole	10	10
Thomas	Crawley	9	9
Elias	Collet	20	20
Susanna	Cook	5	5
Richard	Diamond	110	110
Joan	Dant deceased	100	100
Richard	Dowdswell Esq	15	15
Rev William	Dowdswell	20	20
John	Deeble	4	4
Thomas	Emlin	30	30
Richard	Eames deceased	15	15
William	Every	10	10
Elizabeth	Eames	10	10
Sollom	Emelyn	15	15
John	Elliott	10	10
William	Emmit	3	3
Johannes	Edens	5	5
Enoch	Floyd	150	150
John	Freame	110	110
Nathanial	Ford	100	100
Sarah	Fisher	40	40
Deborah	Fisher	30	30
Hannah	Fisher	30	30
Joseph	Freame	49	49
Thomas	Fellows	7	7
John	Fallowfield	5	5
William	Fell	5	5
James	Fisher	1	1
Jacob	Foster	5	5
William	Fletcher	5	5
John	Fisher	3	3
Nathanial	Frankland	3	3
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	40
Thomas	Gould	100	100
Richard	Gerrey	42	42

John	Gopsil	15	15
John	Garret	25	25
Thomas	Gould junr	20	20
Egbert	Guede	30	30
Benjamin	Gravener	20	20
William	Ginn	26	26
Richard	Gray	16	16
Philis	Gwillym	10	10
Joseph	Grove	60	60
John	Gallatley junr	60	60
Nathanial	Green	15	15
Nathanial	Gwillym	4	4
Urban	Hall Esq	50	50
John	Haddon	180	180
Joseph	Heale	31	31
Benjamin	Hopkins	87	87
Thomas	Hale	20	20
Rev Henry	Holloway	28	28
John	Holloway	44	44
Joseph	Hill	111	111
Humphrey	Hill	111	111
Beatrice	Harman	21	21
Edward	Hankin	60	60
John	Hubbard	20	20
John	Howard	5	5
Thomas	Harrison	34	34
John	Hayward	13	13
Widow	Hughes	2	2
Robert	Harle	3	3
Caleb	Hughes junr	10	10
Nicholas	Heather	8	8
Elizabeth	Haynes	1	1
Hopton	Haynes Esq	10	10
James	Horton	25	25
Joyce	Issod	25	25
Elizabeth	Issod	25	25
James	Jamblin	10	10
Cuthbert	Jackson	11	11
Thomas	Isaack	30	30
Joseph	Jenkins	15	15
Thomas	Kirby	84	84
John	Knight	55	55
Ann	King	1	1
Edward	Leeds	310	310
Edward	Leeds Junr	70	70
Elizabeth	Leeds	5	5

David		Lee	10	10
James		Lambert	18	18
Ann	De	Lannoy	3	3
John		Lardner	2	2
Elizabeth		Lowe	3	3
Sarah	De	Lannoy	3	3
Richard		Matthews deceased	280	280
Cornelius		Mason deceased	48	48
Nathanael		Matson	240	240
Mary		Mason deceased	40	40
Lascells		Metcalf	111	111
John		Muchlow	32	32
Jonathan		Mason	46	46
Cornelius		Mason Junr	45	45
Lascells		Metcalf junr	5	5
Christian		Metcalf senr	5	5
Christian		Metcalf junr	5	5
Joseph		Moore	100	100
Anne		Moore	40	40
James		Mackall	5	5
Daniel		Mocher	15	15
Edward		Miller	10	10
Gilbert		Molleson	5	5
Thomas		May	4	4
John Henry		Martins	11	11
John		Newton	5	5
Samuel		Noble	5	5
William		Nailer	6	6
William		Ockenden deceased	170	170
Thomas		Oades	20	20
Benjamin		Osgood	14	14
Mary		Ockendon	15	15
John		Obee	3	3
Elizabeth		Osgood	1	1
Clement		Plumsted deceased	10	10
Mary		Perkins	40	40
John		Peirie deceased	20	20
Richard		Parks	20	20
John		Pilkington Esq	6	6
Andrew		Pitt	24	24
Mortimer		Powell	20	20
Abel		Pearse	10	10
William		Purdue	5	5
Elizabeth		Peck	6	6
John		Palmer	2	2
Jonathan		Prideaux	10	10

Gravel	Philips	3	3
Thomas	Plank	5	5
Capt John	Painter	10	10
Capt Richard	Peartree	5	5
Michael	Russell	42	42
John	Rayner deceased	20	20
Joseph	Rawbon junr	20	20
James	Richardson	6	6
Thomas	Richardson	17	17
William	Read	27	27
Katherine	Robinson	4	4
William	Raine	1	1
Elizabeth	Raine	2	2
John	Rotherum	1	1
George	Rand	2	2
Richard	Reynolds	5	5
William	Russell	1	1
Joshua	Russell	1	1
John	Russell	10	10
Hannah	Reynolds	1	1
William	Smith	306	306
Joseph	Saunders	47	47
John	Salter	10	10
Philip	Storey	5	5
William	Squire	5	5
Jonathan	Scarth	6	6
Robert	Street	5	5
George	Smith	20	20
Christopher	Smith	2	2
James	Simonson	6	6
Elizabeth	Steger	2	2
Josiah	Stevens	4	4
Elizabeth	Stowe	4	4
Francis	Spencer	1	1
William	Soulley	2	2
Robert	Sutton	5	5
John	Tomkins	5	5
John	Taylor	7	7
Timothy	Treadaway	30	30
John	Tatnall	26	26
John	Toms	42	42
John	Toovey	50	50
Thomas	Thomas	8	8
John	Taylor of Woodford	6	6
Capt	Townshend	4	4
William	Tichmarsh	5	5

Rebecca	Toovey	3	3
John	Usher deceased	60	60
Mary	Usher	27	27
Kathleen	Usher	20	20
John	Vanderwall	14	14
Edward	Wright	130	130
Arthur	Woolley	190	190
Abell	Wilkinson	50	50
Dr Thomas	Walsh	20	20
Rev John	Willis	110	110
Robert	Wall	90	90
William	Woolley	60	60
John	Wall	72	72
Prudence	Wilson	16	16
John	Woolley	40	40
John	Willmer	20	20
Simeon	Warner	60	60
William	Wright Esq	68	68
Henry	Wright Esq	42	42
Richard	Wise	6	6
James	Ward	25	25
Robert	Willan	5	5
James	Wilkinson	30	30
Henry	Wilkinson	10	10
Samuel	Wright	3	3
Eleanor	Willan	3	3
Thomas	Woodward	3	3
William	Walker	4	4
William	Wilkinson	1	1
Mary	Wiggons	1	1
Bryan	Wheelock	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>
	Total	<u>7559</u>	<u>£7559</u>

Richard Pairtree took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

31st December 1723 LLC 5

Mary Saunders took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

7th January 1724 LLC 5

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants
The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Dr Edward Wright

Mr John Haddon

Mr Edward Leeds

Mr William Smith

Mr Samuel Beachcroft

Mr Benjamin Hopkins

Mr Arthur Woolley

Mr James Creed

Mr Edward Leeds junr
Charles Du Bois Esq

Mr John Toms
Dr Thomas Walsh

Freame signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

21st January 1724 LLC 5

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 3rd of January 1723 to 7th Jan 1724 inclusive.

Urban Hall Esq	£12	7s	10d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£14	19s	9d
Dr Edward Wright	£11	19s	1d
Mr John Haddon	£14	8s	2d
Mr Edward Leeds	£14	3s	5d
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	£12	7s	2d
Mr William Smith	£14	14s	7d
Mr Arthur Woolley	£13	16s	4d
Mr John Toms	£12	5s	3d
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	£14	8s	5d
Mr James Creed	£10	12s	2d
Mr Edward Leeds Junr	£7	7s	10d
	<u>£154</u>	<u>0s</u>	<u>0d</u>

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Sub-committee from the 3rd of January 1723 to 3rd Jan 1724.

Dr Edward Wright	£16	6s	0d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£19	2s	0d
Mr John Haddon	£18	14s	0d
Mr Edward Leeds	£15	10s	0d
	<u>£69</u>	<u>12s</u>	<u>0d</u>

28th January 1724 LLC 5

Martin Tomkins took the oath John Hill signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and were thereupon admitted members of this Company.

11th February 1724 LLC 5

Hannah Ward took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

18th February 1724 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 10 ingots of silver, 628 lb. 4 oz 4 pw 15 gr. Standard. Value £1949 4s 6d.

24th March 1723 LLC 5

John Palmer & Randle Wilbraham took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

31st March 1724 LLC 5

Dr Wright delivered a proposal from Mr Charles Erskine relating to Sir John's Mines Viz. That instead of £5000 offered by the Company to be paid Sir John in lieu of the fine; in case the profit the Company should make of those mines amounted to that sum in any one year during the lease, it should be agreed thus Viz.

That Sir John Should have the highest years profit not exceeding £5000, of any one year during the said lease in stead of the £5000 fine demanded by Sir John to be paid down, and for preventing of any mistake thus explained Viz.

When the mines comes to yield profit at suppose £1000 in one year Sir John may receive it as the highest year had yet happened, but when a year of greater profit happens as suppose £2000, or more then Sir John to have the first sum made up to the last, and if no greater sum happens to be got in any one year, then Sir John to have no challenge any more during the lease, but when ever a greater profit happens in any one year then the several sums received the Company to make up the last sum as far as £5000 and no further.

The Court having deliberated upon it, came to the following resolutions that to show the great respect they have for the proposer & desire to accommodate with Sir John they will comply therewith provided no further time be lost of proceeding on the Work which is both Sir John's interest & our desire. And as a further proof of their sincere desire to proceed on further Trial of these mines and to remove Sir John's scruples about the making up the account of profits for any one year we will give Sir John in lieu of a fine, $\frac{1}{4}$ instead of $\frac{1}{5}$ as farm which we apprehend to be more than equivalent if the mines ever prove valuable and these are our final resolutions we Desire Sir John Areskine's answer to them without delay & upon his non-acceptance shall immediately be ready to exchange deeds, part friends and wish Sir John better tennants.

Ordered. The Secretary give a copy of this to Mr Charles Areskine signed by himself on behalf of the Company.

Mr James Creed reported. That at the desire & request of the Court he had taken an assignment of a lease bearing date 1st March 1723 of Mr Charles Portales for his Counting House for the Company's use situated in Bartholomew Lane in a Back Court under the dwelling house of Mrs Grace Carpenter widow, and had paid him thirty guineas as per receipt, for the desk and the rest of the furniture which cost above double the sum.

28th April 1724 LLC 5

It is resolved and agreed by this Court.

That as soon as the Company have gotten enough ore to encourage them to smelt and refine, Sir John's wastes, slaggs, tools & buildings (which the Company shall judge useful for smelting & refining) shall be appraised & valued and the Company shall pay Sir John their share of these Viz $\frac{11}{20}$ th parts and Sir John as Partner in the smelting to have $\frac{7}{20}$ th parts which proportion are respectively to be borne by the said party's of carriage smelting & refining & of all charges attending the same, this method may prevent any dispute about the wastes and slaggs, but if Sir John rather choose to work up the said wastes and slaggs, than accept the appraised price then he to have Liberty to do the same with all convenient speed & before the Company begin to smelt and refine, and the Company in that case to pay their share only of the appraised price of the tools & buildings judged necessary for their use.

Memorandum April 29th 1724

In London it was agreed between Charles Areskine, James Sinclair & James Campbell Esq on behalf of Sir John Areskine of Alva Barrⁿ and Edward Wright on behalf of the Governor & Company for Smelting down lead &c. That instead of the fine of £5000 to be paid by the Company to Sir John Areskine as a fine as mentioned in a certain indenture of lease dated the 21st December 1722 the Company should pay and Sir John should receive one fourth part of all the ore therein demised as farm in lieu of a fine and that Sir John should get $\frac{2}{13}$ parts of the adventure of mining in profits and loss instead of the $\frac{1}{7}$ th mentioned in the said lease and shall bear a proportionable share of carriage, smelting & refining, as these alterations from the lease make and create that is $\frac{2}{13}$ th and the Company $\frac{11}{13}$ in mining and in smelting Sir John $\frac{7}{20}$ and the Company $\frac{11}{20}$ th. and in case of Sir John smelting the Crowns $\frac{1}{10}$ then

the expense to be borne as follows Sir John Areskine 9/20 and the Company 11/20th. This new lease to commence from the 15th May now coming for 21 years & all other covenants and things contained in the aforesaid lease to be included in the new, which are not inconsistent to these new agreements & to be engrossed & executed with all convenient speed, and in the mean time the Company to prepare in order to set the men again to work, at Alva, as soon as they can.

This new agreement puts the parts in the following order Viz.

2/20th to the Crown

5/20th to Sir John for farm or duty which reduce the rest into 13ths which are to beare the whole charge of mining Viz 2/13th Sir John & 11/13 the Company.

Mary Hughes signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

19th May 1724 LLC 5

William Foster took the oath, Nicholas Frankland & Abraham Wilson signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

2nd June 1724 LLC 5

This Court desires Dr Edward Wright & Mr James Creed to adjust and make a correct draft of a lease of Coll Henry Pritties mines in Ireland with Mr James Griffiths for him to take over to Ireland for Coll Henry Prittie's approbation in order to be engrossed & executed.

16th June 1724 LLC 5

The treasurer reported that he had paid William Neale £36 16s in full for 2 pairs of large bellows to be sent to the Company's works in Gadlis.

Elmes & John Gopsill signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

30th June 1724 LLC 5

Account of Profits from Xmas 1723 to Midsummer 1724

Wales Mines

To 80 tons of Timber at £2 5s ton	£180	
To Boards Coves & Windpipes 30 roods	£45	
To ropes 2400 ft at 5d ft	£50	
To iron steel nails spades & gunpowder	£50	
To Candle on wages 20 doz	£5	10s
To Holmes & Bules 150 doz	£11	5s
To day wages	£87	
To Bargains by yards	£365	
To Bargains by Tuns	£554	
To Scraping ore £30 ___ Buelling & wasting £120	£150	
To Washing Works	£60	
To Farm of ore	<u>£1473</u>	<u>14s</u>
	£3031	9s
From ore & Wastes	<u>£8536</u>	<u>0s</u>
Profit to the Company	<u>£5504</u>	<u>11s</u>

The Cupola at Gadlis

To ore smelted Round 579 tons, small 687 tuns		
at 7s & 6s per ton & Waste 38 tun 13 cwt at 5s per ton	£8368	5s
The carriage of ore to Gadlis at 5s per	£326	
To knocking down the round ore at 6d per	£14	9s 6d
To wages smelting, refining hearth & litharge	£273	2s 4d
To Coals & Charcoal and carriage of them for smelting		
Refining hearths, & smithy 930 tuns at 7s per	£325	10s
To lime used in furnaces	£15	
To iron	£40	

To Tests	£50		
To Candles	£5		
To carriage of lead shipped & to be shipped	£90		
To Board, wages, carpenters smiths &c.,	£50	0s	0d
	<u>£9572</u>	<u>6s</u>	<u>10d</u>
From Lead sold	£9043	5s	0d
Lead in hand	£735		
By 7730 oz of silver at 5s 6d per oz	<u>£2125</u>	<u>15s</u>	<u>0d</u>
	<u>£11904</u>	<u>0s</u>	<u>0d</u>
Profit on Smelting and refining	£2331	13s	2d

An account of ores small stuffs and slaggs smelted in **Whitfield Cupula** since the 28th October 1723 to and with the 20th June 1724 with the prices of ore and carriage of them and also the charge of smelting and refining and reducing with the carriage of lead to Newcastle.

	£	s	d		£	s	d
40 Bings of small stuff at 36s per Bing	72	0	0	Lead made from the 360 Bings of			
60 Bings of Browngill ore at 41s				of ore and small stuff as in the			
per Bing	123	0	0	weekly operations maybe seen			
260 Bings of Blaygill + other ore at				is 69 fodder at £14 per fodder	966		
41s per Bing	533	0	0	And lead made from Slaggs as			
The charge of the Carriage of those				by smelting account will appear			
ores being 360 Bings at 2s 6d per Bing	45	0	0	28 fodder at £14 per fodder is			
Charges of smelting and refining and				the sum of	392		
reducing of 97 fodders of lead	169	0	0	And silver drawn from the lead			
And lost by reducing the said 97 fodder				893 oz 5 dram at 5s 6d per ounce	245	15	71/2
of lead just 13 fodder + 18 cwt at				The value of lead and silver			
£14 per fodder	194	0	0	above	<u>1,603</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>71/2</u>
And the carriage of 83 fodder + 3 cwt							
to Newcastle for sale at 14s per fodder	<u>58</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>				
	1,194	4	0				
Balance due on this account	<u>409</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>71/2</u>				
	<u>1,603</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>71/2</u>				

John Newton's Blagill account

I have made it as near as I can and think will have 264 Bings of ore besides the Lord's dues which is sold at 41s per Bing and our charge for it will be about £263 and if so there will be about £180 profit for this half year.

John Newton's Tinehead account

To charge on 60 Bings of ore most of it got at Clargill head £120.
60 Bings at £3 per Bing is £180.
Profit to balance £60.

Therefore Ordered. That the warrants be made out for a dividend of 20s per share for midsummer last against this day fortnight.

14th July 1724 LLC 5

Warrants were signed and given to the treasurer for a dividend of 20s due at Midsummer last on 7559 shares.

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	44	44		
George	Archer	34	34		
Charles	du Bois	80	80		
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	55		
Thomas	Boddington	70	70		

Henry	Barne	55	55
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	9
Elizabeth	Ball	6	6
James	Bowles	20	20
Mary	Barnard	12	12
Robert	Burlston	5	5
Daniel	Bell	15	15
Joseph	Barrel	10	10
John	Brown	30	30
Richard	Baker	10	10
Margaret	Breach	30	30
Margaret	Barnes	3	3
Isaac	Boddington	3	3
Thomas	Butler	2	2
Messrs	Bur & Hagen	3	3
Thomas	Bates	5	5
Joseph	Bromley	3	3
Thomas	Bradford &c	24	24
Elizabeth	Bowman	10	10
Joseph	Belch	5	5
Dr Christopher	Crell	93	93
Thomas	Cooper deceased	40	40
Elizabeth	Clay deceased	80	80
John	Clarke	25	25
Ann	Chokk	25	25
Mary	Collard	8	8
Paul	Crell	40	40
James	Creed	50	50
Richard	Collet deceased	76	76
John	Crow deceased	30	30
Judith	Cant	8	8
Elizabeth	Crell	17	17
	Colvell	1	1
Walter	Coleman	2	2
Abraham	Coleman	3	3
Alexander	Crouch	2	2
Leonard	Chapman	34	34
Nathanial	Carter	10	10
Joseph	Collet Esq	50	50
Henrietta	Collet	6	6
Peter	Collinson	13	13
Thomas	Cox	10	10
Samuel	Collett Esq	25	25
Philip	Cole	10	10
Thomas	Crawley	12	12
Elias	Collet	20	20

Susanna	Cook	5	5
Richard	Diamond	110	110
Joan	Dant deceased	100	100
Richard	Dowdswell Esq	15	15
Rev William	Dowdswell	20	20
Salatheil	Dean	1	1
Thomas	Emlin	30	30
Richard	Eames deceased	15	15
William	Every	10	10
Elizabeth	Eames	10	10
Sollom	Emelyn	15	15
John	Elliott	10	10
William	Emmit	3	3
Joseph	Elmes	7	7
Johannes	Edens	5	5
Enoch	Floyd	100	100
John	Freame	110	110
Nathanial	Ford	90	90
Sarah	Fisher	40	40
Deborah	Fisher	30	30
Hannah	Fisher	30	30
Joseph	Freame	29	29
William	Fletcher	5	5
Thomas	Fellows	7	7
William	Fell	5	5
Jacob	Foster	5	5
John	Fallowfield	15	15
James	Fisher	1	1
William	Fletcher	4	4
John	Fisher	3	3
William	Foster	5	5
Joseph	Fookes	10	10
Francis	Freeman	5	5
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	40
Thomas	Gould	100	100
Richard	Gerrey	42	42
John	Gopsil	5	5
John	Garret	25	25
Thomas	Gould junr	20	20
Egbert	Guede	40	40
Benjamin	Gravener	20	20
William	Ginn	36	36
Richard	Gray	16	16
Philis	Gwillym	6	6
Joseph	Grove	60	60
John	Gallatley junr	30	30

Nathanial	Green	15	15
Nathanial	Gwillym	4	4
Urban	Hall Esq	40	40
John	Haddon deceased	160	160
Joseph	Heale deceased	31	31
Benjamin	Hopkins	87	87
Thomas	Hale	20	20
Rev Henry	Holloway	28	28
John	Holloway	44	44
Joseph	Hill	111	111
Humphrey	Hill	111	111
Beatrice	Harman	21	21
Edward	Hankin	60	60
John	Hubbard	15	15
John	Howard	5	5
Thomas	Harrison	34	34
John	Hayward	13	13
Nicholas	Heather	8	8
Hopton	Haynes Esq	10	10
James	Horton	35	35
Widow	Hughes	2	2
Robert	Harle	3	3
John	Hill	5	5
Mary	Hales	6	6
Elizabeth	Haynes	1	1
Joyce	Issod deceased	25	25
Elizabeth	Issod	25	25
James	Jamblin deceased	10	10
Mary	Jackson	11	11
Thomas	Isaack	1	1
Joseph	Jenkins	15	15
Thomas	Kirby	84	84
John	Knight	55	55
Ann	King	1	1
Edward	Leeds	310	310
Edward	Leeds Junr	70	70
Elizabeth	Leeds	5	5
David	Lee	10	10
James	Lambert	18	18
Ann	De Lannoy	3	3
John	Lardner	2	2
Sarah	De Lannoy	3	3
Phebe	Lascells	27	27
Richard	Matthews deceased	280	280
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48	48
Nathanael	Matson	240	240

Mary	Mason deceased	40	40
Lascells	Metcalf	121	121
John	Muchlow	32	32
Jonathan	Mason	43	43
Cornelius	Mason Junr	45	45
Lascells	Metcalf junr	5	5
Christian	Metcalf senr	5	5
Christian	Metcalf junr	5	5
Joseph	Moore	100	100
Anne	Moore	40	40
James	Mackall	5	5
Daniel	Mocher	15	15
Edward	Miller	6	6
John Henry	Martins	11	11
Thomas	May	4	4
Starkey	Mayo	15	15
William	Miller	4	4
John	Newton	5	5
Samuel	Noble	10	10
William	Nailer	6	6
William	Ockenden deceased	170	170
Thomas	Oades	20	20
Benjamin	Osgood	14	14
Mary	Ockendon	15	15
John	Obee	3	3
Elizabeth	Osgood	1	1
George	Oldner	10	10
Clement	Plumsted	10	10
Mary	Perkins	40	40
John	Peirie deceased	20	20
Richard	Parks	20	20
John	Pilkington Esq	6	6
Andrew	Pitt	24	24
Mortimer	Powell	20	20
Abel	Pearse	10	10
William	Purdue	5	5
Elizabeth	Peck	6	6
Jonathan	Prideaux	10	10
John	Peck	5	5
Gravel	Philips	3	3
George	Peck	1	1
Samuel	Peck	3	3
Thomas	Plank	5	5
Capt John	Painter	10	10
Capt Richard	Peartree	5	5
Michael	Russell	42	42

John	Rayner deceased	20	20
Joseph	Rawbon junr	20	20
James	Richardson	6	6
Thomas	Richardson	17	17
Richard	Reynolds	6	6
John	Russell	14	14
Christopher	Rundle	10	10
Katherine	Robinson	4	4
William	Raine	1	1
Elizabeth	Raine	2	2
John	Rotherum	1	1
George	Rand	3	3
William	Russell	1	1
Joseph	Russell	1	1
Hannah	Reynolds	1	1
John	Rose	2	2
William	Smith	306	306
John	Salter	10	10
William	Squire	5	5
Jonathan	Scarth	6	6
Robert	Street	5	5
George	Smith	20	20
James	Simonson	6	6
Robert	Sutton	5	5
Christopher	Smith	2	2
Josiah	Stevens	4	4
Elizabeth	Stowe	4	4
Francis	Spencer	1	1
William	Soulley	2	2
Mary	Saunders	47	47
Henry	Sankey	10	10
Ester	Selvin	8	8
Elizabeth	Steger	2	2
John	Tomkins	5	5
John	Taylor	7	7
Timothy	Treadaway	30	30
John	Tatnall	26	26
John	Toms	42	42
John	Toovey	50	50
John	Taylor	6	6
Thomas	Thomas	8	8
William	Tichmarsh	5	5
Capt Thomas	Townshend	4	4
Edmund	Togwell	15	15
Rebecca	Toovey	10	10
Martin	Tomkins	5	5

Mary	Toovey	5	5
John	Usher	60	60
Kathleen	Usher	20	20
John	Vanderwall	14	14
Edward	Wright	100	100
Arthur	Woolley	170	170
Abell	Wilkinson	50	50
Dr Thomas	Walsh	20	20
Rev John	Willis	110	110
Robert	Wall	90	90
William	Woolley	60	60
John	Wall	70	70
Prudence	Wilson	16	16
John	Woolley	40	40
John	Willmer	20	20
Simeon	Warner	60	60
William	Wright Esq	68	68
Henry	Wright Esq	42	42
James	Ward	30	30
Robert	Willan	5	5
James	Wilkinson	30	30
Henry	Wilkinson	10	10
Bryan	Wheelock	10	10
Samuel	Wright	3	3
Eleanor	Willan	3	3
Thomas	Woodward	3	3
William	Walker	4	4
William	Wilkinson	1	1
Hannah	Ward	15	15
Randell	Ward	20	20
Dorothy	Wyatt	5	5
Abraham	Wilson	10	10
	Total	<u>7559</u>	<u>£7559</u>

21st July 1724 LLC 5

Elias Collett took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

28th July 1724 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 10 ingots of silver, 620 lb. 0 oz 3 pw 6 gr. Standard. Value £1924 17s 6d.

11th August 1724 LLC 5

George Peck took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

18th August 1724 LLC 5

George Proud of Brown House, offers to let his lead mine (freehold) paying every fifth Bing of ore duty, they not to do any damage in the lands that can be reasonably saved, in the Parish of Stanhope in the County of Durham.

When John Newton returns from Ireland if the Company see fit he may view this and the Lord Barnards liberty, where if any thing he likes the Company have promise of kind usage and preference.

25th August 1724 LLC 5

Jacob Foster signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company, and Henry Wilkinson, Elizabeth Crell & Anne Holloway severally took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

1st September 1724 LLC 5

Starkey Mayo took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

8th September 1724 LLC 5

Dr Wright Reported That he had brought from Mr James Griffiths a copy of a lease executed by Henry Prittie Esq. of his mines at Kilboye in Ireland in the County of Tipperary which being laid before the Court. Tis ordered. That the copy be engrossed for the Company to execute.

15th September 1724 LLC 5

The engrossed new lease from Sir John Areskine to this Company of his silver mines and Liberty of Alva being read and approved it was ordered to be sent & delivered to Coll S^r Clare for him to send the same to Sir John Areskine to execute & on the receipt thereof the Company to execute a counterpart.

Tis Ordered. That the treasurer do pay Mary Hughes her late Husband William Ockendon deceased dividend warrant for midsummer last and take her discharge for the same.

22nd September 1724 LLC 5

Thomas Smith & William Curtis took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

29th September 1724 LLC 5

The engrossed lease from Henry Prittie Esq of his mines at Kilboy in the County of Tipperary in the Kingdom of Ireland to the Company and also the Counterpart were read and agreed to. Tis Therefore Ordered. That the Seal of this Corporation be affixed to the Counterpart, which was done accordingly.

27th October 1724 LLC 5

Francis Freeman & Elizabeth Steger signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company

10th November 1724 LLC 5

James Griffith was paid £60 for his expenses of travelling to and from Ireland in negotiating the lease with Henry Prittie Esq.

17th November 1724 LLC 5

Joseph Jenkins signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

22nd December 1724 LLC 5

William Fletcher took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

29th December 1724 LLC 5

Mr George Dowdswell took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company

5th January 1725 LLC 5

A Barker's account showed a profit of £2,564 3s for the Welsh mines for half year from Midsummer 1724 to Christmas 1724, the profit on smelting and refining £3,413 14s 6d and the profit on the lead sold at Bristol £353 15s.

Total profit for the Welsh mines and workhouses £6,331 12s 6d.

John Newton's account for Whitfield Cupula for half year 20th June 1724 to October 1724 showed a profit of £304.

The whole years profit for Blagill ending Christmas 1724.

Debit.

522 Bings and 3 half loads of ore at 41s	£710 13s 10d
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Credit.

By 522 Bings and 3 half loads at 41s	£1071 10s 0d
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Balance for the whole year	£360 16s 2d
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So that the profit for the half year at Xmas amounts to £180 8s 1d.

Christopher Rundle signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

5th January 1725 LLC 5

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants

The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Dr Edward Wright	Mr Humphrey Hill
Mr Edward Leeds	Mr William Smith
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	Mr Benjamin Hopkins
Mr Arthur Woolley	Mr James Creed
Mr Edward Leeds junr	Mr John Toms
Charles Du Bois Esq	Dr Thomas Walsh

12th January 1725 LLC 5

The warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend of 20s per share to several proprietors due at Xmas last on 7559 shares.

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	44	44		
George	Archer	34	34		
Charles	du Bois	80	80		
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	55		
Thomas	Boddington	70	70		
Henry	Barne	55	55		
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	9		
Elizabeth	Ball	6	6		
James	Bowles	20	20		
Mary	Barnard	10	10		

Robert	Burlston	5	5
Daniel	Bell	15	15
Joseph	Barrel	10	10
John	Brown	35	35
Richard	Baker	10	10
Margaret	Breach	30	30
Thomas	Bradford &c in trust	24	24
Elizabeth	Bowman	10	10
Joseph	Belch	5	5
Mary	Barksdale	5	5
Isaac	Boddington	3	3
Thomas	Butler	2	2
Messrs	Bur & Hagen	3	3
Joseph	Bromley	3	3
John	Bell	4	4
Margaret	Barnes	3	3
Dr Christopher	Crell	93	93
Thomas	Cooper deceased	40	40
Elizabeth	Clay deceased	80	80
John	Clarke	25	25
Ann	Chokk	25	25
Mary	Collard	8	8
Paul	Crell	40	40
James	Creed	50	50
Richard	Collet deceased	66	66
John	Crow deceased	30	30
Judith	Cant	8	8
Elizabeth	Crell	7	7
Leonard	Chapman	35	35
Nathanial	Carter	10	10
Joseph	Collet Esq	50	50
Henrietta	Collet	6	6
Peter	Collinson	13	13
Thomas	Cox	10	10
Samuel	Collett Esq	25	25
Philip	Cole	5	5
Thomas	Crawley	12	12
Elias	Collet	20	20
Susanna	Cook	5	5
William	Curtis	7	7
	Colvell	1	1
Walter	Coleman	2	2
Abraham	Coleman	3	3
Alexander	Crouch	2	2
Richard	Diamond	110	110
Joan	Dant deceased	100	100

Richard	Dowdswell Esq	15	15
Rev William	Dowdswell	20	20
George	Dowdswell	5	5
John	Dorset	5	5
Salatheil	Dean	1	1
Thomas	Emlin	30	30
Richard	Eames deceased	15	15
William	Every	10	10
Elizabeth	Eames	10	10
Sollom	Emelyn in trust	20	20
John	Elliott	10	10
Johannes	Edens	5	5
Joseph	Elmes	7	7
Sollom	Emelyn	15	15
William	Emmit	3	3
Enoch	Floyd	100	100
John	Freame	110	110
Nathanial	Ford	75	75
Sarah	Fisher	40	40
Deborah	Fisher	30	30
Hannah	Fisher	30	30
Joseph	Freame	24	24
William	Fletcher	5	5
Thomas	Fellows	7	7
William	Fell	5	5
Jacob	Foster	10	10
John	Fallowfield	10	10
Nicholas	Frankland	10	10
William	Foster	5	5
Joseph	Fookes	10	10
Francis	Freeman	10	10
James	Fisher	1	1
William	Fletcher	4	4
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	40
Thomas	Gould	100	100
Richard	Gerrey	42	42
John	Gopsil	5	5
John	Garret	25	25
Thomas	Gould junr	20	20
Egbert	Guede	40	40
Benjamin	Gravener	20	20
William	Ginn	30	30
Richard	Gray	20	20
Philis	Gwillym	5	5
Joseph	Grove	60	60
John	Gallatley junr	30	30

Nathanial	Green	15	15
John	Graham	5	5
Nathanial	Gwillym	4	4
Tralucia	Ginn	3	3
Urban	Hall Esq	40	40
John	Haddon deceased	160	160
Joseph	Heale deceased	31	31
Benjamin	Hopkins	100	100
Thomas	Hale	20	20
Rev Henry	Holloway	28	28
John	Holloway	44	44
Joseph	Hill	111	111
Humphrey	Hill	111	111
Beatrice	Harman	21	21
Edward	Hankin	60	60
John	Hubbard	15	15
John	Howard	5	5
Thomas	Harrison	34	34
John	Hayward	13	13
Nicholas	Heather	13	13
Hopton	Haynes Esq	20	20
James	Horton	32	32
John	Hill	11	11
Anne	Holloway	5	5
John	How	10	10
Mary	Hales	6	6
Widow	Hughes	2	2
Robert	Harle	3	3
Elizabeth	Haynes	1	1
Joyce	Issod deceased	25	25
Elizabeth	Issod	25	25
James	Jamblin deceased	10	10
Joseph	Jenkins	5	5
Mary	Jackson	11	11
Mary	James	10	10
Thomas	Isaack	1	1
Thomas	Kirby deceased	84	84
John	Knight	55	55
Edward	Leeds	310	310
Edward	Leeds Junr	70	70
Elizabeth	Leeds	5	5
David	Lee	10	10
James	Lambert	18	18
Phebe	Lascells	27	27
Elizabeth	Low	5	5
Ann	De Lannoy	3	3

John		Lardner	2	2
Sarah	De	Lannoy	3	3
Anne		King	1	1
Richard		Matthews deceased	280	280
Cornelius		Mason deceased	48	48
Nathanael		Matson deceased	200	200
Mary		Mason deceased	40	40
Lascells		Metcalf	121	121
John		Muchlow	32	32
Jonathan		Mason	43	43
Cornelius		Mason Junr	45	45
Lascells		Metcalf junr	5	5
Christian		Metcalf senr	5	5
Christian		Metcalf junr	5	5
Joseph		Moore	100	100
Anne		Moore	40	40
James		Mackall	5	5
Daniel		Mocher	15	15
John Henry		Martins	11	11
Thomas		May	4	4
Starkey		Mayo	10	10
William		Miller	4	4
John		Newton	5	5
Samuel		Noble	10	10
William		Nayler	6	6
William		Ockenden deceased	170	170
Thomas		Oades	20	20
Benjamin		Osgood	14	14
Mary		Ockendon	15	15
John		Obee	3	3
Elizabeth		Osgood	1	1
George		Oldner	10	10
Clement		Plumsted deceased	10	10
Mary		Perkins	40	40
John		Peirie deceased	20	20
Richard		Parks	20	20
John		Pilkington Esq	6	6
Andrew		Pitt	24	24
Mortimer		Powell	25	25
Abel		Pearse	10	10
William		Purdue	5	5
Jonathan		Prideaux deceased	10	10
Thomas		Plank	7	7
Capt John		Painter	10	10
Capt John		Peartree	10	10
John		Peck	5	5

Elizabeth	Peck	3	3
Gravel	Philips	3	3
George	Peck	4	4
Samuel	Peck	3	3
Michael	Russell	42	42
Joseph	Rawbon junr	20	20
James	Richardson	6	6
Richard	Reynolds	7	7
John	Royells	20	20
Christopher	Rundle	10	10
Katherine	Robinson	4	4
William	Raine	1	1
Elizabeth	Raine	2	2
John	Rotherum	1	1
George	Rand	3	3
William	Russell	1	1
Joshua	Russell	1	1
Hannah	Reynolds	1	1
John	Rose	2	2
Robert	Rand	1	1
William	Smith	306	306
John	Salter	10	10
William	Squire	5	5
Jonathan	Scarth	6	6
Robert	Street	5	5
Rev George	Smith	20	20
James	Simonson	6	6
Robert	Sutton	5	5
Mary	Saunders	43	43
Henry	Sankey	10	10
Ester	Selwin	14	14
Thomas	Smith	10	10
John	Tomkins	5	5
John	Taylor	7	7
Timothy	Treadaway	30	30
John	Tatnall	26	26
Christopher	Smith	2	2
Josiah	Stevens	4	4
Elizabeth	Slow	4	4
Francis	Spencer	1	1
William	Soulley	2	2
Anne	Springham	2	2
John	Toms	42	42
John	Toovey	50	50
John	Taylor	6	6
Thomas	Thomas	8	8

William	Tichmarsh	5	5
Edmund	Togwell	11	11
Rebecca	Toovey	10	10
Mary	Toovey	5	5
Capt Thomas	Townshend	4	4
John	Usher deceased	50	50
Kathleen	Usher	20	20
John	Vanderwall	14	14
Edward	Wright	100	100
Arthur	Woolley	110	110
Abell	Wilkinson	50	50
Dr Thomas	Walsh	20	20
Rev John	Willis	110	110
Robert	Wall	90	90
William	Woolley	60	60
John	Wall	70	70
Prudence	Wilson	16	16
John	Woolley	40	40
John	Willmer	20	20
Simeon	Warner	60	60
William	Wright Esq	68	68
Henry	Wright Esq	42	42
James	Ward	30	30
Robert	Willan	5	5
James	Wilkinson	30	30
Henry	Wilkinson	10	10
Bryan	Wheelock	20	20
Hannah	Ward Horsleydown	10	10
Randle	Wilbraham	20	20
Dorothy	Wyatt	5	5
Abraham	Wilson	10	10
Hannah	Ward Spittlefields	5	5
Robert	Wickenden	40	40
Samuel	Wright	3	3
Eleanor	Willan	3	3
Thomas	Woodward	3	3
William	Walker	4	4
William	Wilkinson	1	1
Thomas	Richardson	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>
	Total	<u>7559</u>	<u>£7559</u>

Robert Wickenden took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

19th January 1725 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 13 ingots of silver, 776 lb. 5 oz 7 pw 19 gr. Standard. Value £2406 19s 10d.

2nd February 1725 LLC 5

Reported that Sir John Areskine (Erskine) had executed a lease to this Company of his silver mine at Alva in Scotland and has sent it up to Coll S^t Clare in order to be exchanged for the Company's counterpart which being examined together and found right Tis therefore Ordered. That the he seal of this Corporation be affixed to the counterpart.

Benjamin Haylor, Mary Haylor & John Tailor signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

9th February 1725 LLC 5

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 7th of January 1724 to 5th Jan 1725 inclusive.

Urban Hall Esq	£13	14s	6d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£15	8s	4d
Dr Edward Wright	£12	14s	6d
Mr John Haddon	£3	9s	2d
Mr Edward Leeds	£14	10s	8d
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	£10	13s	10d
Mr William Smith	£15	3s	3d
Mr Arthur Woolley	£12	12s	7d
Mr John Toms	£15	3s	10d
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	£14	17s	8d
Mr James Creed	£13	9s	10d
Mr Edward Leeds Junr	£9	5s	10d
	<u>£151</u>	<u>4s</u>	<u>0d</u>

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Sub-committee from the 7th of January 1724 to 5th Jan 1725 inclusive.

Dr Edward Wright	£19	12s	0d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£23	16s	0d
Mr John Haddon	£4	4s	0d
Mr Edward Leeds	£22	0s	0d
	<u>£69</u>	<u>12s</u>	<u>0d</u>

9th February 1725 LLC 5

Dr Wright Reported that he had according to the desire of the Court exchanged the Company's Counterpart, which was executed last Court day with Coll St Clare for Sir John Areskine, executed lease of his mines at Alva, to this Company.

23rd February 1725 LLC 5

Robert Pearce took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

George Oldner signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

The Court leaves it up to the Sub-Committee to consider a gratuity to be made to Mr Robert Pigot for his trouble in measuring out several new grants lately taken of Sir R. Grosvenor.

9th March 1725 LLC 5

Wight Woolley Esq & Richard Taylor severally took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

16th March 1725 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 4 ingots of silver, 222 lb. 4 oz 17 pw 20 gr. Standard. Value £689 9s 0d.

6th April 1725 LLC 5

John Prudom took the oath and John Bell signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

4th May 1725 LLC 5

Ordered that the assignment from the Company to Mr Richard Champion, Mr James Griffiths, and Mr Edward Fenn of their respective parts held of the Silver mines in Ireland lately taken of Coll Henry Prittie be examined by the secretary in order to be executed this day sennight.

11th May 1725 LLC 5

Warrant to the treasurer to pay John Brown £21 18s, Edward Miller £2 15s, Henry Latimer £2 15s, John Clarke 17s, in all £28 5s, for 156 bushels of bone ash shipped for Newcastle in the 'Thomas & John', Thomas Yeoman Master, consigned to Charles Alsopp.

The Secretary Reported that he had received from Thomas Barker Coll Pretties executed lease of his mines at Kilboy in Ireland & registered there according to law.

The Secretary Reported that according to the order of the last Court day, that he had examined and read over the following assignments with the Counterpart & found them right in order to be executed. Viz.

One from the Company to Richard Champion of Bristol, Merchant for 2/16th part (pursuant to a former agreement) of the Silver mine at Kilboy in the County of Tipperary in the Kingdom of Ireland lately taken by lease of Coll Prittie.

And Also one for 2/16th part thereof to James Griffiths of Swansea, in Glamorganshire.

And another 1/16th part to Edward Fenn of Cork, in the Kingdom of Ireland, merchant.

Which in all makes 5/16th part assigned to the above persons so that the Company has remaining in their hands 11/16th part of the afore said mines. The seal of the Corporation was affixed to the assignment.

The treasurer reported that he had received of Richard Champion £125 as his advance money for his 2/16th part towards carrying on the work at the Silver Mines in Ireland.

1st June 1725 LLC 5

Dr Wright Reported that he had delivered to Richard Champion James Griffiths assignments for the 8th part and Edward Fenn for a 16th part of Coll^o Pritties mines for him to exchange them for their Counterpart when executed.

John Tomkins took the oath and Thomas Freeman signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

15th June 1725 LLC 5

George Wass signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

29th June 1725 LLC 5

Elizabeth Hart signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

6th July 1725 LLC 5

Edward Fenn had paid £31 5s being his advance money towards carrying on the works at the Silver mines in Ireland.

The amount of profit from Christmas 1724 to Midsummer 1725 from Thomas Barker and Charles Alsopp.

The mines in Wales had made a profit of £1,799 10s, and the Cupula at Gadlis £3,228 2s 7d making a total profit of £5,027 12s 7d.

The Cupula at Whitfield had made a profit of £182 15s.

The treasurer reported the weights of 9 ingots of silver, 412 lb. 10 oz 14 pw 19 gr. Standard. Value £1589 19s 4d.

The Lead Mines to the Gov & Comp ^y Dr		Contra	Receipt
from Xmas 1724 to Midsum 1725			
To 70 Tuns of Timber at £2.10	175	Round ore 170:0	1580 -
To Boards for Winding pipes & hobnails & such	50	By 17:0 - 8 34: -	3222 -
To Ropes Iron Gunpowder & Candles	110	By waste 10	50 -
To Day wages	80		
To Barrage by yards	940		
To Ditts by Tuns	190		
To Wrapping the round ore at 18	17		
To Carting & Washing of Small	103		
To Washing Waste	10		
To Molybdena 30.08 65 Tons at 30	142 10		
To Drake 28 - 8 170			
To Shovel door 14 - 8 50 at 25	340 -		
To Wheelbarrow 10			
To Logon 125 - 190 at 20	315 -		
To Garden 30 - 40 at 4	280 -		
227. 10 25 -	3052. 10 -		
1 Waste 10 -			
The Am ^t of Profits to Gov & Comp ^y 1799. 10 -			
	4852 -		
The Cupula at Gadlis to y ^e Gov & Comp ^y Dr		Contra	Receipt
from Xmas 1724 to June 26 1725			
To ore smelted to Apr 24 227 8 18 593.6 at 7 1/2	5151. 12 -	By 445 11:1. 8 w Lead sold at several	
To June 26 131 7 7 333.11 at 7 1/2	3036. 19. 6	prices as per Invoices	11982. 16. 7
To Cart 35 2 2 5 175 10		But Deduct 61 Tons at 12 1/2	
To Cart of Lead ore to Gadlis	330. 3. 6	being 1/2 of stock in hand	777 15 - 11205. 1. 7
To Knocking down round ore at 6	8. 19. 6	And abt 18 Lead at 12 1/2 & being further	
To Wages smelting & washing hearths & such	470 -	produces from the 18 Lead for refining	229. 10 -
To Balls & Charcoal & Cart of y ^e for smelt		By Litherage to Bristol by order	
To Refining hearths & smelting 130.11 at 7 1/2	550 -	5:7:2:10: at 12:100	67. 4. 9
To Lime used in Turnaces	15 -	By 6004 0 18 w to June 19 a 5 1/2	1651. 6 11 1/2
To Iron 130. First bricks & Clay 13	45 -	By 226 9 to June 26 ad	73. 3. 9 1/2
To Test 40. Furnaces 8 1/2	48 -		
To Cart of Lead on board	77 -		
To Board Wages Carpenters & Smiths	90 -		
	9998. 4. 6	The Ball of Lead Mines as above	1799. 10
Balance for Profit on smelting	3228. 2. 7	From the Cupula at Contra	3228. 2. 7
and Refining		The Total amounts to	13226. 7. 1
	13226. 7. 1		

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<p>An Acc^t of Ores Small Stuff & Slags Smelted at Whitfield Cupulo from the 1st of Dec^r 1724 to the 26 of July 1725 wth the prices of Ores & the Exp^{ts} of them & also of Charges of Smelting Refining & reducing wth farr^{er} of the Lead to Newcastle as here underwritten ~</p>		<p>Dr. - Intra R. - -</p>
<p>The ore wth this Sale of Lead was smelted from - as may be seen was 265 Bings @ 44 p^{ts} 383 -</p>	<p>By Lead for sale 76 8 2 ore Delivered at Newcastle @ 13 10 p^{ts} Toth^r 1031 4 -</p>	
<p>And there was Putting ore also wth farr^{er} - was smelted from 120 Bings @ 39 p^{ts} 234 -</p>	<p>By Fine Silver got in those 27 weeks past 849 2 5 6 p^{ts} 233 9 6</p>	
<p>And the Exp^{ts} of those 385 Bings of ore & on - with an other from y^e minor to y^e Cupulo 26 48 2 -</p>		
<p>And The Char^g of Smelting Refining & reducing & my Salary put in also 170 -</p>		
<p>And The farr^{er} of those 76 8 29 over from y^e Cupulo to Newcastle @ 12 3 p^{ts} Toth^r 46 16 -</p>		
		<p style="text-align: right;">L 1264 13 6</p>
<p>Balt^{er} for the profits of those 27 weeks past - 182 15 -</p>		
		<p style="text-align: right;">L 1264 13 6</p>
		<p style="text-align: right;">p Charles Alsopp ~</p>

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Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend due at Midsummer last to several proprietors on 7559 shares at 15s per share Viz.

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	44	33	0	
George	Archer	34	25	10	
Charles	du Bois	80	60	0	
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	41	5	
Thomas	Boddington	20	15	0	
Henry	Barne	55	41	5	
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	6	15	
Robert	Burleston	5	3	15	

Elizabeth	Ball	6	4	10
James	Bowles	20	15	0
Mary	Barnard	9	6	15
Daniel	Bell	10	7	10
Joseph	Barrel	10	7	10
John	Brown	35	26	5
Richard	Baker	10	7	10
Margaret	Breach	30	22	10
Thomas	Bradford &c in trust	24	18	0
Elizabeth	Bowman	10	7	10
Joseph	Belch	5	3	15
Mary	Barksdale	5	3	15
Dr Christopher	Crell	93	69	15
Thomas	Cooper deceased	40	30	0
Elizabeth	Clay deceased	80	60	0
John	Clarke	24	18	0
Ann	Chokk	25	18	15
Mary	Collard	8	6	0
Paul	Crell	40	30	0
James	Creed	50	37	10
Richard	Collet deceased	66	49	10
John	Crow deceased	10	7	10
Judith	Cant	8	6	0
Elizabeth	Crell	7	5	5
Leonard	Chapman	35	26	5
Nathanial	Carter	10	7	10
Joseph	Collet Esq	50	37	10
Henrietta	Collet	6	4	10
Peter	Collinson	13	9	15
Thomas	Cox	10	7	10
Samuel	Collett Esq	25	18	15
Thomas	Crawley	14	10	10
Elias	Collet	20	15	0
Susanna	Cook	5	3	15
William	Curtis	7	5	5
Isaac	Boddington	3	2	5
Joseph	Bromley deceased	3	2	5
Margaret	Barnes	3	2	5
Sarah	Betts	6	4	10
Messrs	Bur & Hagen	3	2	5
Josiah	Colvell	1	0	15
Walter	Coleman	2	1	10
Alexander	Crouch	2	1	10
Abraham	Coleman	3	2	5
Marg Crellius &	Ph Cole	10	7	10
Richard	Diamond	110	82	10

Joan	Dant deceased	100	75	0
Richard	Dowdswell Esq	15	11	5
Rev William	Dowdswell	20	15	0
George	Dowdswell	5	3	15
John	Dorset	9	6	15
Salatheil	Dean	1	0	15
Thomas	Emlin	30	22	10
Richard	Eames deceased	15	11	5
William	Every	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Eames	10	7	10
Sollom	Emelyn in trust	20	15	0
John	Elliott	10	7	10
Johannes	Edens	5	3	15
William	Emmit	3	2	5
Sarah	Elles	10	7	10
Joseph	Elmes	7	5	5
Sollom	Emelyn	15	11	5
Enoch	Floyd	80	60	0
John	Freame	110	82	10
Nathanial	Ford	75	56	5
Sarah	Fisher	40	30	0
Deborah	Fisher	30	22	10
Hannah	Fisher	30	22	10
Joseph	Freame	24	18	0
William	Fletcher	5	3	15
Thomas	Fellows	7	5	5
William	Fell	5	3	15
John	Fallowfield	10	7	10
Nicholas	Frankland	10	7	10
Joseph	Fookes	10	7	10
Francis	Freeman	15	11	5
James	Fisher	1	0	15
William	Fletcher	4	3	0
Thomas	Freeman	10	7	10
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	30	0
Thomas	Gould	100	75	0
Richard	Gerrey	42	31	10
John	Gopsil	5	3	15
John	Garret	25	18	15
Thomas	Gould junr	20	15	0
Egbert	Guede	40	30	0
Benjamin	Gravener	20	15	0
William	Ginn	30	22	10
Richard	Gray	20	15	0
Philis	Gwillym	5	3	15
Joseph	Grove	60	45	0

John	Gallatley junr	20	15	0
Nathanial	Green	15	11	5
John	Graham	12	9	0
Nathanial	Gwillym	4	3	0
Tralucia	Ginn	3	2	5
Urban	Hall Esq	40	30	0
John	Haddon deceased	160	120	0
Joseph	Heale deceased	31	23	5
Benjamin	Hopkins	120	90	0
Thomas	Hale	20	15	0
Rev Henry	Holloway	28	21	0
John	Holloway	44	33	0
Joseph	Hill	111	83	5
Humphrey	Hill	111	83	5
Beatrice	Harman deceased	21	15	15
Edward	Hankin	60	45	0
John	Howard	5	3	15
Thomas	Harrison	37	27	15
John	Hayward	13	9	15
Nicholas	Heather	13	9	15
Hopton	Haynes Esq	20	15	0
James	Horton	32	24	0
John	Hill	10	7	10
Anne	Holloway	5	3	15
John	How	16	12	0
Widow	Hughes	2	1	10
Robert	Harle	3	2	5
Elizabeth	Haynes	1	0	15
Thos Huckle &	John Smith	20	15	0
Elizabeth	Hubbard	20	15	0
Joyce	Issod	25	18	15
James	Jamblin deceased	10	7	10
Joseph	Jenkins	5	3	15
Mary	Jackson	11	8	5
Mary	James	10	7	10
Thomas	Isaack	1	0	15
Thomas	Kirby deceased	54	40	10
John	Knight	55	41	5
Anne	King	1	0	15
Edward	Leeds	250	187	10
Edward	Leeds Junr	70	52	10
Elizabeth	Leeds	5	3	15
David	Lee	10	7	10
James	Lambert	18	13	10
Phebe	Lascells	37	27	15
Elizabeth	Low	5	3	15

Ann	De	Lannoy	3	2	5
John		Lardner	2	1	10
Sarah	De	Lannoy	3	2	5
Messrs		Hitchcock & Leeds	25	18	15
Richard		Matthews deceased	280	210	0
Cornelius		Mason deceased	48	36	0
Nathanael		Matson deceased	200	150	0
Mary		Mason deceased	40	30	0
Lascells		Metcalfe	121	90	15
John		Muchlow	32	24	0
Jonathan		Mason	40	30	0
Cornelius		Mason Junr	45	33	15
Lascells		Metcalfe junr	5	3	15
Christian		Metcalfe senr	5	3	15
Christian		Metcalfe junr	5	3	15
Joseph		Moore	100	75	0
Anne		Moore	40	30	0
James		Mackall	5	3	15
Daniel		Mocher	15	11	5
John Henry		Martins	21	15	15
Starkey		Mayo	10	7	10
Edward		Miller	10	7	10
Anne		Mills	2	1	10
Thomas		May	4	3	0
William		Miller	4	3	0
John		Newton	5	3	15
Samuel		Noble	10	7	10
William		Nayler	6	4	10
William		Ockenden deceased	170	127	10
Thomas		Oades	20	15	0
Benjamin		Osgood	14	10	10
Mary		Ockendon	15	11	5
John		Obee	3	2	5
Elizabeth		Osgood	1	0	15
Clement		Plumsted deceased	10	7	10
Mary		Perkins	40	30	0
John		Peirie deceased	20	15	0
Richard		Parks	20	15	0
John		Pilkington Esq	6	4	10
Andrew		Pitt	24	18	0
Mortimer		Powell	25	18	15
Abel		Pearse	10	7	10
William		Purdue	5	3	15
Thomas		Plank	7	5	5
Capt John		Painter	13	9	15
Capt Richard		Peartree	10	7	10

John	Peck	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Peck	2	1	10
Gravat	Philips	3	2	5
George	Peck	4	3	0
Samuel	Peck	3	2	5
John	Prudhom	10	7	10
Robert	Pearse	10	7	10
Michael	Russell	42	31	10
Joseph	Rawbon junr	20	15	0
James	Richardson	6	4	10
Thomas	Richardson	17	12	15
Richard	Reynolds	8	6	0
John	Royells	20	15	0
Katherine	Robinson	4	3	0
William	Raine	1	0	15
Elizabeth	Raine	2	1	10
John	Rotherum	1	0	15
George	Rand	3	2	5
William	Russell	1	0	15
Joshua	Russell	1	0	15
Hannah	Reynolds	1	0	15
John	Rose	2	1	10
Robert	Rand	1	0	15
Edward	Richardson	6	4	10
William	Smith	300	225	0
John	Salter	10	7	10
William	Squire	5	3	15
Jonathan	Scarth	6	4	10
Robert	Street	5	3	15
Rev George	Smith	29	21	15
James	Simonson	6	4	10
Robert	Sutton	5	3	15
Mary	Saunders	43	32	5
Henry	Sankey	16	12	0
Ester	Selwin	14	10	10
Thomas	Smith	12	9	0
Josias	Stevens	4	3	0
Elizabeth	Slow	4	3	0
Francis	Spencer	1	0	15
William	Soulley	2	1	10
Anne	Springham	2	1	10
Richard	Sheldon	7	5	5
Thomas	Skipp	2	1	10
Daniel	Scott	2	1	10
John	Tomkins	9	6	15
Timothy	Treadaway	30	22	10

John	Tatnall	26	19	10
John	Toms	42	31	10
John	Toovey deceased in trust	50	37	10
Thomas	Thomas	8	6	0
William	Tichmarsh	11	8	5
Edmund	Togwell	13	9	15
Martin	Tomkins	5	3	15
Rebecca	Toovey	10	7	10
Capt Thomas	Townshend	4	3	0
Richard	Taylor	20	15	0
John	Usher deceased	50	37	10
Kathleen	Usher	20	15	0
John	Vanderwall	14	10	10
Edward	Wright	100	75	0
Arthur	Woolley	120	90	0
Abell	Wilkinson	40	30	0
Christopher	Smith	2	1	10
Mary	Toovey	5	3	15
Dr Thomas	Walsh	20	15	0
Rev John	Willis	110	82	10
Robert	Wall	90	67	10
William	Woolley	60	45	0
John	Wall	70	52	10
Prudence	Wilson	16	12	0
John	Woolley	40	30	0
John	Willmer	20	15	0
Simeon	Warner	60	45	0
William	Wright Esq	68	51	0
Henry	Wright Esq	42	31	10
James	Ward	35	26	5
Robert	Willan	5	3	15
James	Wilkinson	40	30	0
Henry	Wilkinson	10	7	10
Bryan	Wheelock	20	15	0
Hannah	Ward Horsleydown	10	7	10
Randle	Wilbraham	20	15	0
Dorothy	Wyatt	16	12	0
Abraham	Wilson	5	3	15
Hannah	Ward Spittlefields	5	3	15
Robert	Wickenden	40	30	0
Samuel	Wright	3	2	5
Thomas	Woodward	3	2	5
William	Walker	4	3	0
William	Wilkinson	1	0	15
Richard	Wise	4	3	0
Wight	Woolley Esq	20	15	0

George	Wass	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>10</u>
	Total	<u>7559</u>	<u>£5,669</u>	<u>5</u>

27th July 1725 LLC 5

Rebecca Toovey signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

3rd August 1725 LLC 5

John & Elizabeth Shepherd severally took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

10th August 1725 LLC 5

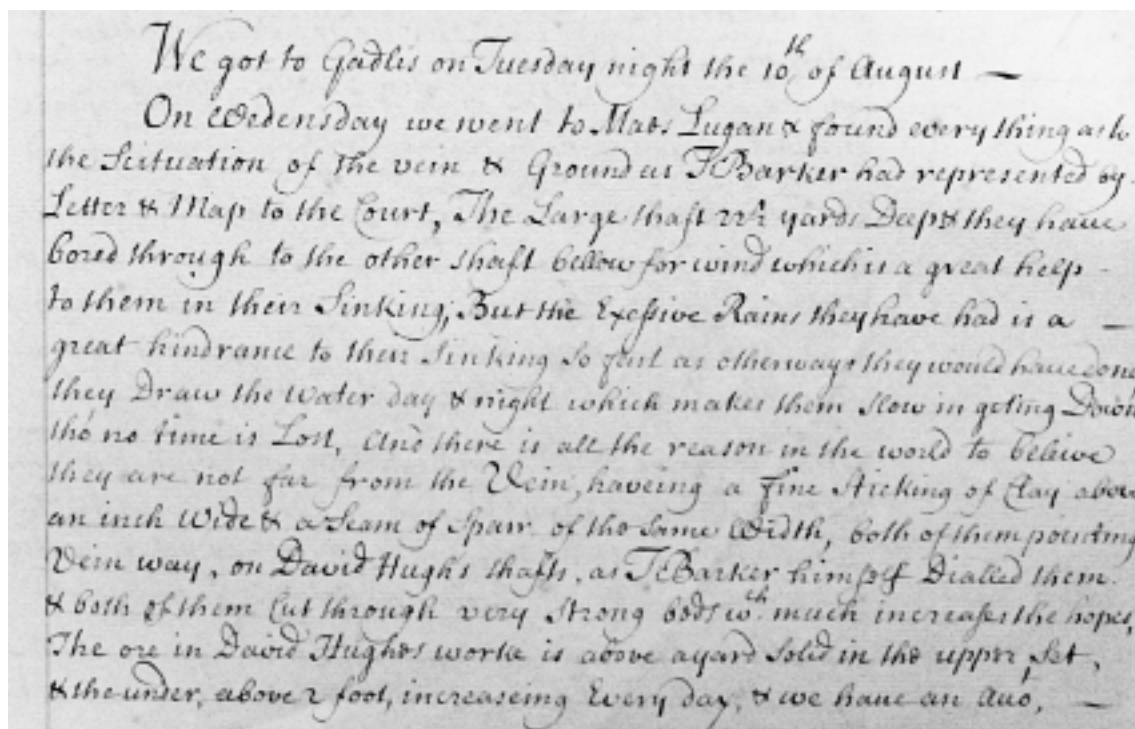
Thomas Hughes & George Wass signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

7th September 1725 LLC 5

Dr Edward Wright & Mr James Creed Reported the state of the Company's works in Wales and particularly of the affair with Esq Hope & the great expectation of having a considerable work in his Liberty.

Summary of a part of the report, the full text is given below. On Friday as well as at other times, we viewed the Workhouse found it in very good order. Thomas Barker having made several improvements in the Slagg Hearth and there chimneys which proves safer and wholesomer for the workmen than the former, as does the bringing of water in pipes to every ashpit at the Workhouse, and will besides more than pay the cost of it in one year by saving the iron and several other things, the workmen were never so well in Spring and Summer as they have been since this was done.

J Norman was asked to go to Alva and with Abraham Watson view the liberty and discuss with Sir John Areskine (Erskine) about reducing the number of men working there.



*We got to Gaddis on Tuesday night the 10th of August -
On Wednesday we went to Mats Lugan & found every thing as to
the Situation of the vein & ground as T Barker had represented by
Letter & Map to the Court, The Large shaft 22¹/₂ yards Deep they have
Bored through to the other shaft below for wind which is a great help
to them in their Sinking, But the Excessive Rains they have had is a
great hindrance to their Sinking so fast as otherwise they would have done
they Draw the water day & night which makes them slow in getting Down
tho no time is Lost, And there is all the reason in the world to believe
they are not far from the Vein, having a fineicking of Clay above
an inch wide & a seam of Spar of the same width, both of them pointing
Vein way, on David Hugh's shafts, as T Barker himself Dialed them.
& both of them cut through very strong bds wth much increase the hopes,
The ore in David Hugh's works is above a yard solid in the upper set,
& the under, above 2 foot, increasing every day, & we have an adu, -*

The 7th of Septemb^r 1725.

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Since we left the place of its being 2 yards wide, & 100 y^d. from us and no Swamp between us to cut it off, and so run in the random of it, quite cross Maes Lagan & the Road way & for the 15 Meers lately agreed to be added to it, on a fine stretch of Ground very likely for the vein to continue it has been the property of this Vein in Egar Wynn's Land & in the Lane &c. to carry the water off when it is opened, which is a very valuable Article, and makes the Difficulty of getting Down the Leds minded, onely, as it takes up more time.

In the Garden the ore continues very good & so be raised at 6 p^m Jun.

From thence we went to see a very fine Tryall at the east End of panty puddur, where they have sunk through y^e Chert to y^e Limestone & are come to a Leading which carries off the water, runs Vein way & has fine ore in it with a very promising coat on it, w^{ch} gives them great hopes of a fresh worke there.

We afterwards went to the old Rake, where the Lowest Soles had proved so hard & wet, y^t it has been Judged best to Leave them off, but to continue to Drive on the Leuell from y^e fine Swallow, Westward, which they find has been very hard, but has lately opened and there is now at its forfeld very fine Lumps of Ore & rich Soil, w^{ch} gives them hopes of y^e end of y^e rake, turning to good Use.

On Thursday we went to Tre Logan & found y^e Workes in very good Order considering the Extraordinary wet weather they then had, & have had for a longer Season then has been known, the Map and Aluo^s of this worke which we have brought will best shew the State of it & to which refer.

On Friday we Dined with Egar Hope and found all the Family Extreame well & very Sensible, that tis their interest to Deal with the Company, preferable to all others, whose Dealings, are so well known & approved in those parts.

On Saturday we made assays & Experiem^{ts} upon the rich Irish Ore, the particular aluo^s of we have taken & brought

The 7th of September 1725 -

Continued -

On Monday Mr. Hope her Brother Fritchley & I Lloyd of attorney dined with us at Gadlis and the two latter appointed to meet us at Chester on the Monday following to settle the Agreement of the Last 13 Meers with Tuncill -

On Tuesday morning we viewed the 3 New Tryalls under Mr. Rich Grosvener 2 of them are very promising, the other proves hitherto hard at one of them we have a very fine vein in very good Soil & Lumps of Ore but over powered with water at present. at y^e 2^d at 12 y^rd we have a fine Cross Vein near a y^d wide, have got about a Tun of extraordinary fine Ore, & as far as they can Judge is like to prove well - from thence Breakfasted with Eqr. Moryston Bombes, who Accompanied us to Dinner with Eqr. Moryston of Ticken, the Weather & roads being so bad, we could not take a dinner wth each as were invited, they both remain hearty friends of the Company, on our return to Gadlis we called at Moryston where they were Drawing very good ore and saw several Tuns of fine clean pottery Ore on the Bank, there one of the Bargains wth was set Last Quarter at 40^{/-} a Tun, y^t will be set next at 50^{/-} or 55^{/-} a Tun it proves so well. -

On Wednesday went to the Coal worke where we have a great Stock of Coals on the Bank as we have also at Gadlis, so think it proper to let the Coal Worke stand for some time to worke of the present Stock of Coals, rather than sell them. The Leavel brought up there is of a very great Service & saves them above £100 a year & J.B. expects to make it of y^t greater Value by some addition, soe that all the Coals they raise for the future will be to good profit as well as a full supply to y^e Workes

On Thursday several Gen^l Dined with us at Gadlis and Expressed themselves very friendly for the Company's Interest -

On Friday as well as at other times we viewed the worke house found it in very good order, J.B. having made several improvem^ts in the Nagg hearths & there Chimneys, which proves safer & whole some for the Workemen than the former, as doe the bringing of the Water in pipes to Every Ash pit at the Workehouse, and will besides more than pay the Cost of it in one year by saving the Iron & several other things, the Workemen were never so well in Spring and Summer as they have been since it was done -

The 7th of Septemb^r 1725 —

Continued —

On Saturday we Left Gadlis went to Chester and next day pursuant to an Invitation dined with Sir Rich^d Grosvenor K^t & R^t were as friendly as Ever they were known to be, & Express the value they had for the Comp^y & the fair Character they Maintained as well as y^e best Adventurers. Sir Rich^d also sent us a very fine Pie of Venison to Gadlis, & gave his Service to all the Gentlemen of the Company he Know, as well as Drank to the prosperity of it and their healths —

On Monday & Tuesday, & part of Wednesday we were detained at Chester in settling the Draft of the new Bargain of 15 m^{rs}, with Esq^r Stoper brother in Law & J^r Lloyd the attorney and had it before our Council, when most of the Articles were adjusted in order to be Laid before their and Expect when the Affairs there are over, they will proceed to Ingress and Execute it.

Wednesday in the Afternoon we set out for Whitchurch & arrived at London through a great deal of bad Roads on Wednesday Last Septemb^r 7th 1725 —

We have to add, that finding it as Leisure a time to J^r Norman as could be expected, we thought it for the Company's Service he should go to Alva, and in Conjunction with Abr^s Wulson view those Liberties, and Discourse S^r John Areskine about Lessening the Number of men in case it be thought Advisable to insist on it, Accordingly he set out from Chester y^e 24th of August so hope shall soon hear from him, and his opinion of those works, which may be of too great consequence; if they should prove to the Company — Edw^d Wright.

James Greed —

The Court therefore returned their hearty thanks to the said Gent^l for their particular troubles & care in y^e affair, and for their great fatigue they met wth in their journey.

Adjourned to Tuesday next half an hour after 2 in the afternoon —

5th October 1725 LLC 5

Ordered. That the treasurer be made D^r for a years dividend on the Company's South Sea Stock £2266 13s 4d due midsummer last £136 0s
and ½ a years annuity on £2266 13s 4d due at lady day last £56 13s
£192 13s

Dr Edward Wright Reported That he had received Edward Fenns and James Griffiths Counterpart executed for their respective parts held of the Silver mines at Kilboy in the County of Tipperary in the Kingdom of Ireland lately taken lease of Coll^o Prittie.

The Court hath agreed to deliver Mr James Creed 200 tuns of lead by Xmas next at Gadlis at £13 5s per tun.

William Hegg took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted member of this Company.

Ordered. That William Richardson be made D^r for £24 paid Mr Prime the attorney for defending the suit of Mr Hodgson.

9th November 1725 LLC 5

Elizabeth Hubbard signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

30th November 1725 LLC 5

Cope Gallatly & James Whitaker, severally took the oath & Tralucia Ginn signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

30th December 1725 LLC 5

The amount of profit from Midsummer 1725 to Christmas 1725

The mines in Wales had made a profit of £1,429 12s and the Cupula at Gadlis £3,486 16s 1d.

The Cupula at Whitfield had made a profit of £141 7s 3d.

Whereas the profits of the mines for this half year has not exceeded the amount of profit of the last half year, which would have been considerably more, had not the weather proved so extreme wet, which has not only prevented our working and raising good quantities of ore but has likewise increased the expense of mining by an extraordinary charge of drawing up water &c. And besides that the Company has been at a considerable charge this last half year in vigorously carrying on the works at Maeslygen, but the charge of it, they hope may be soon reimbursed by the expectation they have of a great work and do hope the next half year to work to considerable profit, so under these considerations it is unanimously agreed to divide 15s per share for this present Christmas dividend. *(At Maeslygen they had been sinking a shaft, and with the heavy rains they had to draw water off day and night)*

The treasurer reported the weights of 13 ingots of silver, 739 lb. 3 oz 7 pw 7 gr. Standard. Value £2291 15s 3d.

4th January 1726 LLC 5

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer for a dividend due at Christmas last to several proprietors on 7559 shares at 15s per share Viz.

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	44	33	0	
George	Archer	34	25	10	
Charles	du Bois	80	60	0	
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	41	5	
Thomas	Boddington	20	15	0	
Henry	Barne	35	26	5	

Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	6	15
James	Bowles	20	15	0
Mary	Barnard	6	4	10
Daniel	Bell	6	4	10
Joseph	Barrel	10	7	10
John	Brown	35	26	5
Richard	Baker	10	7	10
Margaret	Breach	30	22	10
Thomas	Bradford &c in trust	24	18	0
Elizabeth	Bowman	10	7	10
Joseph	Belch	5	3	15
Mary	Barksdale	5	3	15
Hannabella	Briggins	20	15	0
Keziah	Bywater	15	11	5
Sarah	Betts	6	4	10
Isaac	Boddington	3	2	5
Messrs	Bur & Hagen	3	2	5
Elizabeth	Ball	2	1	10
Joseph	Bromley deceased	3	2	5
Margaret	Barnes	3	2	5
Dr Christopher	Crell	83	62	5
Thomas	Cooper deceased	40	30	0
Elizabeth	Clay deceased	80	60	0
John	Clarke	24	18	0
Ann	Chokk	25	18	15
Mary	Collard	8	6	0
Paul	Crell	40	30	0
James	Creed	50	37	10
Richard	Collet deceased	50	37	10
John	Crow deceased	10	7	10
Judith	Cant	8	6	0
Elizabeth	Crell	7	5	5
Leonard	Chapman	31	23	5
Nathanial	Carter	10	7	10
Joseph	Collet Esq	50	37	10
Henrietta	Collet	6	4	10
Peter	Collinson	13	9	15
Thomas	Cox	10	7	10
Samuel	Collett Esq	25	18	15
Thomas	Crawley	14	10	10
Elias	Collet	20	15	0
Susanna	Cook	5	3	15
William	Curtis	7	5	5
Messrs	Crellius & Cole	10	7	10
Josiah	Colvell	1	0	15
Walter	Coleman	2	1	10

Alexander	Crouch	2	1	10
Abraham	Coleman	3	2	5
Richard	Diamond	60	45	0
Joan	Dant deceased	100	75	0
Richard	Dowdswell Esq	15	11	5
Rev William	Dowdswell	20	15	0
George	Dowdswell	5	3	15
John	Dorset	9	6	15
Thomas	Emlin	30	22	10
William	Every deceased	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Eames	10	7	10
Sollom	Emelyn in trust	20	15	0
John	Elliott	10	7	10
Johannes	Edens	5	3	15
Joseph	Elmes	7	5	5
Sollom	Emelyn	15	11	5
Sarah	Elles	10	7	10
William	Emmot	3	2	5
Francis	Evans	2	1	10
Enoch	Floyd	80	60	0
John	Freame	110	82	10
Nathanial	Ford	75	56	5
Sarah	Fisher	40	30	0
Deborah	Fisher	30	22	10
Hannah	Fisher	30	22	10
Joseph	Freame	24	18	0
Thomas	Fellows	7	5	5
William	Fell	5	3	15
John	Fallowfield	10	7	10
Joseph	Fookes	10	7	10
Francis	Freeman	10	7	10
James	Fisher	1	0	15
William	Fisher	4	3	0
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	30	0
Thomas	Gould	100	75	0
Richard	Gerrey	42	31	10
John	Garret	25	18	15
Thomas	Gould junr	20	15	0
Egbert	Guede	40	30	0
Benjamin	Gravener	20	15	0
William	Ginn	20	15	0
Richard	Gray	20	15	0
Joseph	Grove	50	37	10
John	Gallatley junr	20	15	0
Nathanial	Green	18	13	10
John	Graham	21	15	15

Nathanial	Gwillym	4	3	0
Tralucia	Ginn	3	2	5
Cope	Gallatley	3	2	5
Urban	Hall Esq	55	41	5
John	Haddon deceased	160	120	0
Joseph	Heale deceased	20	15	0
Benjamin	Hopkins	130	97	10
Thomas	Hale	20	15	0
Rev Henry	Holloway	28	21	0
John	Holloway	44	33	0
Joseph	Hill	111	83	5
Humphrey	Hill	111	83	5
Beatrice	Harman deceased	21	15	15
Edward	Hankin	60	45	0
John	Howard	5	3	15
Thomas	Harrison	37	27	15
John	Hayward	13	9	15
Nicholas	Heather	13	9	15
Hopton	Haynes Esq	23	17	5
James	Horton	22	16	10
John	Hill	5	3	15
Anne	Holloway	5	3	15
John	How	16	12	0
Prudence	Hall	17	12	15
Messrs	Huckle & Smith in trust	20	15	0
Elizabeth	Hubbard	20	15	0
Thomas	Hughes	11	8	5
William	Hegg	19	14	5
Widow	Hughes	2	1	10
Robert	Harle	4	3	0
Joyce	Issod	25	18	15
James	Jamblin deceased	10	7	10
Joseph	Jenkins	5	3	15
Mary	James	10	7	10
Thomas	Isaack	1	0	15
Thomas	Kirby deceased	54	40	10
John	Knight	55	41	5
Anne	King	1	0	15
Edward	Leeds	250	187	10
Edward	Leeds Junr	70	52	10
Elizabeth	Leeds	5	3	15
David	Lee deceased	10	7	10
James	Lambert	27	20	5
Phebe	Lascells	37	27	15
Elizabeth	Low	5	3	15
Messrs	Leeds & Hitchcock	25	18	15

Messrs		Leeds & Newbury	33	24	15
Ann	De	Lannoy	3	2	5
John		Lardner	2	1	10
Sarah	De	Lannoy	3	2	5
Richard		Matthews deceased	280	210	0
Cornelius		Mason deceased	48	36	0
Nathanael		Matson deceased	200	150	0
Lascells		Metcalfe	121	90	15
John		Muchlow	32	24	0
Jonathan		Mason	37	27	15
Cornelius		Mason Junr	45	33	15
Lascells		Metcalfe junr	5	3	15
Christian		Metcalfe senr	5	3	15
Christian		Metcalfe junr deceased	5	3	15
Joseph		Moore	100	75	0
Anne		Moore	40	30	0
James		Mackall	5	3	15
Daniel		Mocher	15	11	5
John Henry		Martins	21	15	15
Edward		Miller	25	18	15
Anne		Mills	2	1	10
Thomas		May	4	3	0
William		Miller	4	3	0
John		Newton	5	3	15
Samuel		Noble	10	7	10
William		Nayler	6	4	10
William		Ockenden deceased	170	127	10
Thomas		Oades	20	15	0
Mary		Ockendon	15	11	5
John		Obee	3	2	5
Elizabeth		Osgood	1	0	15
Clement		Plumsted deceased	10	7	10
John		Peirie deceased	20	15	0
Richard		Parks	20	15	0
John		Pilkington Esq	6	4	10
Andrew		Pitt	24	18	0
Mortimer		Powell	25	18	15
Abel		Pearse	10	7	10
William		Purdue	5	3	15
Thomas		Plank	7	5	5
Capt John		Painter	13	9	15
Capt Richard		Peartree	10	7	10
John		Prudhom	10	7	10
Robert		Pearse	10	7	10
George		Peck	5	3	15
Ambrose		Page	10	7	10

William	Perkins	40	30	0
Gravat	Philips	3	2	5
Elizabeth	Peck	1	0	15
Michael	Russell	42	31	10
Joseph	Rawbon junr	20	15	0
James	Richardson	6	4	10
Thomas	Richardson	17	12	15
Richard	Reynolds	9	6	15
John	Royells	10	7	10
John	Rose	5	3	15
Edward	Richardson	6	4	10
Crist	Rundle	10	7	10
Katherine	Robinson	4	3	0
William	Raine	1	0	15
John	Rotherum	1	0	15
George	Rand	1	0	15
Elizabeth	Raine	2	1	10
William	Russell	1	0	15
Joshua	Russell	1	0	15
Hannah	Reynolds	1	0	15
Robert	Rand	1	0	15
William	Smith	300	225	0
John	Salter	10	7	10
William	Squire	5	3	15
Jonathan	Scarth	6	4	10
Robert	Street	5	3	15
Rev George	Smith	29	21	15
James	Simonson	6	4	10
Robert	Sutton	5	3	15
Mary	Saunders	10	7	10
Henry	Sankey	16	12	0
Ester	Selwin	14	10	10
Thomas	Smith	12	9	0
Richard	Sheldon	7	5	5
John	Scutt	5	3	15
William	Stevens	10	7	10
Edmund	Stevens	20	15	0
Rev Thomas	Sleigh	7	5	5
Ruth	Stokes	6	4	10
Christopher	Smith	2	1	10
Joshua	Stevens	4	3	0
Francis	Spencer	1	0	15
William	Scoulley	4	3	0
Anne	Springham	2	1	10
Thomas	Skipp	2	1	10
Daniel	Scott	2	1	10

John	Tomkins	9	6	15
Timothy	Treadaway	20	15	0
John	Tatnall	26	19	10
John	Toms	42	31	10
John	Toovey deceased in trust	50	37	10
Thomas	Thomas	8	6	0
William	Tichmarsh	11	8	5
Martin	Tomkins	20	15	0
Rebecca	Toovey	10	7	10
Richard	Taylor	30	22	10
Capt Thomas	Townshend	4	3	0
John	Usher deceased	40	30	0
Kathleen	Usher	20	15	0
John	Vanderwall	14	10	10
Edward	Wright	100	75	0
Arthur	Woolley	120	90	0
Abell	Wilkinson	30	22	10
Dr Thomas	Walsh	20	15	0
Rev John	Willis	110	82	10
Robert	Wall	90	67	10
William	Woolley	60	45	0
John	Wall	70	52	10
John	Woolley	40	30	0
John	Willmer	20	15	0
Simeon	Warner	50	37	10
William	Wright Esq	68	51	0
Henry	Wright Esq	42	31	10
James	Ward	30	22	10
Robert	Willan	5	3	15
James	Wilkinson	90	67	10
Henry	Wilkinson	25	18	15
Bryan	Wheelock	30	22	10
Hannah	Ward Horsleydown	10	7	10
Randle	Wilbraham	20	15	0
Dorothy	Wyatt	16	12	0
Abraham	Wilson	5	3	15
Hannah	Ward Spittlefields	5	3	15
Robert	Wickenden	40	30	0
Mary	Mason	40	30	0
Wight	Woolley Esq	30	22	10
George	Wass	6	4	10
Anne	Wilkinson	10	7	10
Samuel	Wright	3	2	5
Thomas	Woodward	3	2	5
William	Walker	4	3	0
William	Wilkinson	1	0	15

James	Whitaker	2	1	10
Mary	Jackson	<u>11</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>5</u>
	Total	<u>7549</u>	<u>£5,661</u>	<u>15</u>

The Minutes show a total of 7559 shares and £5669 5s, but 10 shares are missing from the list on page 481.

Edmund Stevens, Thomas Waddlove and Nicholas Heather severally took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

6th January 1726 LLC 5

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants
The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Dr Edward Wright	Mr Humphrey Hill
Mr Edward Leeds	Mr William Smith
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	Mr Benjamin Hopkins
Mr Arthur Woolley	Mr James Creed
Mr Edward Leeds junr	Mr John Toms
Charles Du Bois Esq	Dr Thomas Walsh

11th January 1726 LLC 5

Andrew Pit signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

25th January 1726 LLC 5

William Emmet signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

22nd February 1726 LLC 5

Agreed to deliver to Mr James Creed 500 tuns of lead at £13 10s at Bagilt.

29th March 1726 LLC 5

A warrant given the treasurer to pay, Abraham Henschell & Green £11 3s, Thomas Coleman & Green £4 7s, Fr Gueber & Company & Capt. Cook £17 17s 6d, and Charges 2s 6d, in all £33 10s, for 35 Barrs of steel, 12 Brass Sives and 5 barrels of Gunpowder shipped to Thomas Barker for the Company's use by Capt Cook & Capt Green.

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Sub-committee from the 12th of January 1725 to 6th Jan 1726 inclusive.

Dr Edward Wright	£16	18s	0d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£19	6s	0d
Mr Edward Leeds	£18	10s	0d
Mr James Creed	<u>£14</u>	<u>18s</u>	<u>0d</u>
	<u>£69</u>	<u>12s</u>	<u>0d</u>

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 12th of January 1725 to 6th Jan 1726 inclusive.

Urban Hall Esq	£12	18s	5d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£14	12s	1d
Dr Edward Wright	£12	11s	6d
Mr Edward Leeds	£14	7s	7d
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	£11	5s	5d

Mr William Smith	£14	7s	7d
Mr Arthur Woolley	£12	10s	3d
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	£14	1s	5d
Mr John Toms	£13	3s	6d
Mr James Creed	£12	8s	3d
Mr Edward Leeds Junr	£6	5s	7d
Mr Humphrey Hill	£9	16s	5d
	<u>£148</u>	<u>8s</u>	<u>0d</u>

19th April 1726 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 7 ingots of silver, 412 lb. 6 oz 3 pw 14 gr. Standard. Value £1278 15s 10d.

26th April 1726 LLC 5

A letter from Mr Richard Champion of the 23rd instant to Dr Wright was read to the Court, wherein he writes that he is desirous as for his part that the Company should proceed in the working of the Silver Mines at Kilboy in Ireland much rather than quit them and therefore gives his consent thereto and Mr James Griffiths does the same.

William Dowdswell took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

3rd May 1726 LLC 5

Richard Dowdswell took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

10th May 1726 LLC 5

Warrant given the treasurer to pay, John Brown £20 18s 9d, Henry Lattimer £2 15s, Edward Miller £2 15s and John Clarke £17s, in all £27 5s 9d for 60 casks of bone ashes, shipped on board the John & Edward, John Dickinson Master for Newcastle, to Jer Hunter for the Company's use.

24th May 1726 LLC 5

Capt John Painter took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

7th June 1726 LLC 5

Daniel Cockerell took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

14th June 1726 LLC 5

Judith Windsor took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

5th July 1726 LLC 5

The amount of profit from Christmas 1725 to Midsummer 1726.

The mines in Wales had made a profit of £813 16s 6d, and the Cupula at Gadlis £2,956 1s 11d, making a total profit of £3,769 18s 5d.

The Cupula at Whitfield had made a profit of £409 3s 3d.

12th July 1726 LLC 5

Warrants were signed & given the treasurer to the several proprietors for a dividend of 15s per share due at Midsummer on 7559 shares.

		Shares	£	S	d
John	Askew	44	33	0	
George	Archer	34	25	10	
James	Allen	5	3	15	
Charles	du Bois	80	60	0	
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	41	5	
Thomas	Boddington	20	15	0	
Henry	Barne	10	7	10	
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	6	15	
James	Bowles	20	15	0	
Daniel	Bell	12	9	0	
Joseph	Barrel	10	7	10	
John	Brown	35	26	5	
Richard	Baker	10	7	10	
Margaret	Breach	30	22	10	
Thomas	Bradford &c in trust	24	18	0	
Elizabeth	Bowman	10	7	10	
Joseph	Belch	5	3	15	
Mary	Barksdale	5	3	15	
Hannabella	Briggins	20	15	0	
Keziah	Bywater	15	11	5	
Sarah	Betts	6	4	10	
Isaac	Boddington	3	2	5	
Elizabeth	Ball	2	1	10	
Messrs	Bur & Hagen	3	2	5	
Joseph	Bromley	3	2	5	
Margaret	Barnes	5	3	15	
John	Bell	4	3	0	
Mary	Barnard	3	2	5	
Dr Christopher	Crell	83	62	5	
Thomas	Cooper deceased	40	30	0	
Elizabeth	Clay deceased	80	60	0	
John	Clarke	24	18	0	
Ann	Chokk	25	18	15	
Mary	Collard	8	6	0	
Paul	Crell	40	30	0	
James	Creed	50	37	10	
Richard	Collet deceased	50	37	10	
John	Crow deceased	10	7	10	
Judith	Cant	8	6	0	
Elizabeth	Crell	7	5	5	
Leonard	Chapman	31	23	5	
Nathanial	Carter	10	7	10	
Henrietta	Collet	26	19	10	
Peter	Collinson	13	9	15	
Thomas	Cox	10	7	10	

Samuel	Collett Esq	25	18	15
Thomas	Crawley	14	10	10
Elias	Collet deceased	20	15	0
Susanna	Cook	5	3	15
William	Curtis	7	5	5
Messrs	Crellius & Cole	10	7	10
Josiah	Colvell	1	0	15
Walter	Coleman	2	1	10
Alexander	Crouch	2	1	10
Abraham	Coleman	3	2	5
Mary	Collet	30	22	10
Daniel	Cockerell	10	7	10
Richard	Diamond	60	45	0
Joan	Dant deceased	100	75	0
George	Dowdswell	5	3	15
John	Dorset	9	6	15
Thomas	Emlin	30	22	10
William	Every	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Eames	5	3	15
Sollom	Emelyn in trust	20	15	0
John	Elliott	10	7	10
Johannes	Edens	5	3	15
Joseph	Elmes	7	5	5
Sollom	Emelyn	15	11	5
Sarah	Elles	10	7	10
William	Emmot	10	7	10
Francis	Evans	2	1	10
John	Estaugh	100	75	0
Enoch	Floyd	80	60	0
John	Freame	110	82	10
Nathanial	Ford	72	54	0
Sarah	Fisher	40	30	0
Deborah	Fisher	30	22	10
Hannah	Fisher	30	22	10
Joseph	Freame	29	21	15
Thomas	Fellows	7	5	5
William	Fell	5	3	15
Joseph	Fookes	10	7	10
Francis	Freeman	10	7	10
James	Fisher	1	0	15
William	Fletcher	5	3	15
William	Fletcher Cheapside	4	3	0
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	30	0
Thomas	Gould	100	75	0
Richard	Gerrey	42	31	10
John	Garret	25	18	15

Thomas	Gould junr	25	18	15
Egbert	Guede	40	30	0
Rev Benjamin	Gravener	20	15	0
William	Ginn	15	11	5
Richard	Gray	20	15	0
Joseph	Grove	35	26	5
John	Gallatley junr	30	22	10
Nathanial	Green	18	13	10
John	Graham	26	19	10
Nathanial	Gwilym	4	3	0
Urban	Hall Esq	65	48	15
Joseph	Heale deceased	20	15	0
Benjamin	Hopkins	190	142	10
Thomas	Hale	20	15	0
Rev Henry	Holloway	28	21	0
John	Holloway	44	33	0
Joseph	Hill	111	83	5
Humphrey	Hill	114	85	10
Beatrice	Harman deceased	21	15	15
Edward	Hankin	60	45	0
John	Howard	5	3	15
Thomas	Harrison	37	27	15
John	Hayward	13	9	15
Nicholas	Heather	13	9	15
Hopton	Haynes Esq	23	17	5
James	Horton	22	16	10
Anne	Holloway	5	3	15
John	How	16	12	0
Prudence	Hall	17	12	15
Messrs	Huckle & Smith in trust	20	15	0
Elizabeth	Hubbard	20	15	0
Thomas	Hughes	11	8	5
William	Hegg	19	14	5
Widow	Hughes	2	1	10
Robert	Harle	4	3	0
George	Haggar	10	7	10
Benjamin	Horne	10	7	10
Joyce	Issod deceased	25	18	15
James	Jamblin deceased	10	7	10
Joseph	Jenkins	5	3	15
Mary	Jackson	11	8	5
Mary	James	10	7	10
Thomas	Kirby deceased	54	40	10
John	Knight	55	41	5
Anne	King	1	0	15
Edward	Leeds	250	187	10

Edward	Leeds Junr	70	52	10
Elizabeth	Leeds	5	3	15
David	Lee deceased	10	7	10
James	Lambert	27	20	5
Phebe	Lascells	32	24	0
Elizabeth	Low	5	3	15
Messrs	Leeds & Hitchcock	25	18	15
Messrs	Leeds & Newbury	33	24	15
John	Lardner deceased	2	1	10
Richard	Matthews deceased	280	210	0
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48	36	0
Nathanael	Matson deceased	200	150	0
Mary	Mason deceased	40	30	0
Lascells	Metcalfe	121	90	15
John	Muchlow	32	24	0
Jonathan	Mason	37	27	15
Cornelius	Mason Junr	45	33	15
Lascells	Metcalfe junr	5	3	15
Christian	Metcalfe senr	5	3	15
Christian	Metcalfe junr deceased	5	3	15
Joseph	Moore	100	75	0
Anne	Moore	40	30	0
James	Mackall	5	3	15
Daniel	Mocher	15	11	5
John Henry	Martins	21	15	15
Edward	Miller	25	18	15
Thomas	May	4	3	0
William	Miller	4	3	0
Anne	Mills	2	1	10
Jane	Maunde	3	2	5
John	Newton	5	3	15
Samuel	Noble	10	7	10
William	Nayler	6	4	10
William	Ockenden deceased	170	127	10
Thomas	Oades	20	15	0
Mary	Ockendon	15	11	5
John	Obee	3	2	5
Elizabeth	Osgood	1	0	15
Clement	Plumsted deceased	10	7	10
John	Peirie deceased	20	15	0
Richard	Parks	20	15	0
John	Pilkington Esq	6	4	10
Andrew	Pitt	20	15	0
Mortimer	Powell	25	18	15
Abel	Pearse	10	7	10
William	Purdue	5	3	15

Capt John	Painter	15	11	5
Capt Richard	Peartree	10	7	10
John	Prudhom	10	7	10
Robert	Pearse	10	7	10
Ambrose	Page	10	7	10
William	Perkins	30	22	10
Gravat	Philips	3	2	5
Thomas	Plank	3	2	5
Samuel	Peck	3	2	5
George	Peck	1	0	15
Isaac	Pickerell	5	3	15
Michael	Russell	42	31	10
Joseph	Rawbon junr	20	15	0
James	Richardson	6	4	10
Thomas	Richardson	17	12	15
Richard	Reynolds	9	6	15
John	Royells	20	15	0
John	Rose	6	4	10
Edward	Richardson	6	4	10
Crist	Rundle	10	7	10
William	Raine	1	0	15
John	Rotherum	1	0	15
George	Rand	1	0	15
William	Russell	1	0	15
Joshua	Russell	1	0	15
Hannah	Reynolds	1	0	15
Robert	Rand	1	0	15
Katherine	Robinson	4	3	0
William	Smith	300	225	0
John	Salter	10	7	10
William	Squire	5	3	15
Jonathan	Scarth	6	4	10
Robert	Street	5	3	15
Rev George	Smith	29	21	15
James	Simonson	6	4	10
Robert	Sutton	5	3	15
Mary	Saunders	6	4	10
Henry	Sankey	16	12	0
Ester	Selwin	14	10	10
Thomas	Smith	14	10	10
Richard	Sheldon	7	5	5
John	Scutt	5	3	15
William	Stevens	18	13	10
Edmund	Stevens	20	15	0
Rev Thomas	Sleigh	7	5	5
Ruth	Stokes	6	4	10

Christopher	Smith	2	1	10
Joshua	Stevens	4	3	0
Elizabeth	Stow	4	3	0
Francis	Spencer	1	0	15
William	Soulley	4	3	0
Anne	Springham	2	1	10
Thomas	Skipp	2	1	10
Daniel	Scott	2	1	10
John	Tomkins	9	6	15
Timothy	Treadaway	20	15	0
John	Tatnall	26	19	10
John	Toms	42	31	10
John	Toovey deceased in trust	50	37	10
Thomas	Thomas	8	6	0
William	Tichmarsh	14	10	10
Martin	Tomkins	20	15	0
Rebecca	Toovey	10	7	10
Richard	Taylor	30	22	10
Capt Thomas	Townshend	4	3	0
John	Usher deceased	40	30	0
Kathleen	Usher	20	15	0
Edward	Wright	100	75	0
Arthur	Woolley	120	90	0
John	Vandewall	14	10	10
Abell	Wilkinson	20	15	0
Dr Thomas	Walsh	20	15	0
Rev John	Willis	110	82	10
Robert	Wall	90	67	10
William	Woolley	60	45	0
John	Wall	70	52	10
John	Woolley	40	30	0
John	Willmer	20	15	0
Simeon	Warner	52	39	0
William	Wright Esq	68	51	0
Henry	Wright Esq	42	31	10
James	Ward	30	22	10
James	Wilkinson	100	75	0
Henry	Wilkinson	30	22	10
Bryan	Wheelock	30	22	10
Hannah	Ward Horsleydown	10	7	10
Randle	Wilbraham	20	15	0
Dorothy	Wyatt	16	12	0
Abraham	Wilson	5	3	15
Robert	Wickenden	40	30	0
Wight	Woolley Esq	30	22	10
George	Wass	6	4	10

Anne	Wilkinson	35	26	5
Samuel	Wright	3	2	5
Thomas	Woodward	3	2	5
William	Walker	4	3	0
William	Wilkinson	1	0	15
James	Whitaker	3	2	5
Judith	Windsor	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>10</u>
	Total	<u>7559</u>	<u>£5,669</u>	<u>5</u>

19th July 1726 LLC 5

Mr Enoch Floyd & Dr Edward Wright Reported that they had executed the Counterparts of several leases in Flintshire lately granted by Sir Richard Grovenor for the only use and behalf of the Company and given Bonds to perform the covenants therein.

Ordered that the treasurer pay to Mr James Creed one hundred pounds being for two years allowance for the Companys use of the Court Room, Back Parlour, & Counting House at £50 per annum ending at Midsummer last and take his discharge for the same.

The treasurer reported the expenses of the journey to Wales in 1725 which was £73 6s 6d.

26th July 1726 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 4 ingots of silver, 261 lb. 3 oz 8 pw 22 gr. Standard. Value £809 19s 9d.

30th August 1726 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 3 ingots of silver, 163 lb. 9 oz 2 pw 1 gr. Standard. Value £507 13s 0d.

6th September 1726 LLC 5

Timothy Colston took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

13th September 1726 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver, 95 lb. 8 oz 12 pw 10 gr. Standard. Value £296 14s 5d.

4th October 1726 LLC 5

The years dividend on the Company's South Sea Stock £2266 13s 4d due at Midsummer last was

£136 0s

The half year annuity on £2266 13s 4d due at Lady Day last was

£56 13s

£192 13s

1st November 1726 LLC 5

Richard Nave took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

13th December 1726 LLC 5

Abraham Bonifield signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

3rd January 1727 LLC 5

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants
The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor	
Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor	
Dr Edward Wright	Mr Humphrey Hill
Mr Edward Leeds	Mr William Smith
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	Mr Benjamin Hopkins
Mr Arthur Woolley	Mr James Creed
Mr Edward Leeds junr	Mr John Toms
Charles Du Bois Esq	Dr Thomas Walsh

The amount of profit for Midsummer 1726 to Christmas 1726.

The mines in Wales had made a profit of £416 5s 6d and the Cupula at Gadlis £2,353 2s making a total profit of £2,769 7s 6d. *(The large expense on Dead work £1,260 for Bargains by the yard and £650 in day wages compared to the same period the previous year of Bargains by the yard of £850 and day wages of £560 mainly accounted for the decline in mining profits in Wales. In 1724 for the same periods only £650 had been paid in Bargains by the yard and £180 on day wages)*

17th January 1727 LLC 5

The warrants were signed & given the treasurer to the several proprietors for a dividend of 15s per share due at Xmas last on 7559 shares £5669 5s.

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	44	33	0	
George	Archer	34	25	10	
James	Allen	5	3	15	
Charles	du Bois	80	60	0	
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	41	5	
Thomas	Boddington	20	15	0	
Henry	Barne deceased	10	7	10	
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	6	15	
James	Bowles	20	15	0	
Daniel	Bell	12	9	0	
Joseph	Barrel	10	7	10	
John	Brown	35	26	5	
Richard	Baker	10	7	10	
Margaret	Breach	30	22	10	
Thomas	Bradford &c in trust	24	18	0	
Elizabeth	Bowman	10	7	10	
Joseph	Belch	5	3	15	
Mary	Barksdale	5	3	15	
Hannabella	Briggins	20	15	0	
Keziah	Bywater	15	11	5	
Sarah	Betts	6	4	10	
Abraham	Bonifield	5	3	15	
Margaret	Barnes	5	3	15	
Isaac	Boddington	3	2	5	
Elizabeth	Ball	2	1	10	
Messrs	Bur & Haggard	3	2	5	
Mary	Barnard	3	2	5	
Joseph	Bromley	3	2	5	

Dr Christopher	Crell	83	62	5
Thomas	Cooper deceased	40	30	0
Elizabeth	Clay deceased	80	60	0
John	Clarke	22	16	10
Ann	Chokk	25	18	15
Paul	Crell	40	30	0
James	Creed	50	37	10
Richard	Collet deceased	50	37	10
John	Crow deceased	10	7	10
Judith	Cant	8	6	0
Elizabeth	Crell	7	5	5
Leonard	Chapman	24	18	0
Nathanial	Carter	10	7	10
Peter	Collinson	13	9	15
Thomas	Cox	10	7	10
Samuel	Collett Esq	25	18	15
Susanna	Cook	5	3	15
William	Curtis	7	5	5
Messrs	Crellius & Cole	10	7	10
Daniel	Cockerell	10	7	10
Mary	Collet	35	26	5
Timothy	Colston	10	7	10
Josiah	Colvell	1	0	15
Walter	Coleman	2	1	10
Alexander	Crouch	2	1	10
Abraham	Coleman	3	2	5
Richard	Diamond	60	45	0
Joan	Dant deceased	100	75	0
George	Dowdswell	5	3	15
John	Dorset	9	6	15
Thomas	Emlin	35	26	5
William	Every	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Eames	5	3	15
Sollom	Emelyn in trust	20	15	0
John	Elliott	10	7	10
Johannes	Edens	5	3	15
Joseph	Elmes	9	6	15
Sollom	Emelyn	20	15	0
Sarah	Ellis	5	3	15
John	Estaugh	100	75	0
William	Emmot	14	10	10
Francis	Evans	2	1	10
Elias	Collet deceased	20	15	0
Enoch	Floyd	80	60	0
John	Freame	110	82	10
Nathanial	Ford	66	49	10

Sarah	Fisher	40	30	0
Deborah	Fisher	30	22	10
Hannah	Fisher	30	22	10
Joseph	Freame	39	29	5
Thomas	Fellows	7	5	5
William	Fell	5	3	15
Joseph	Fookes	10	7	10
James	Fisher	1	0	15
William	Fletcher	4	3	0
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	30	0
Thomas	Gould	100	75	0
Richard	Gerrey	42	31	10
John	Garret	25	18	15
Thomas	Gould junr	25	18	15
Egbert	Guede	40	30	0
Rev Benjamin	Gravener	20	15	0
William	Ginn	30	22	10
Richard	Gray	20	15	0
Joseph	Grove	25	18	15
John	Gallatley junr	25	18	15
Nathanial	Green	18	13	10
John	Graham deceased	22	16	10
Nathanial	Gwilym	2	1	10
Mary	Graham	4	3	0
Urban	Hall Esq	65	48	15
Joseph	Heale deceased	20	15	0
Benjamin	Hopkins	190	142	10
Thomas	Hale	20	15	0
Rev Henry	Holloway	28	21	0
John	Holloway	44	33	0
Joseph	Hill	111	83	5
Humphrey	Hill	114	85	10
Beatrice	Harman deceased	21	15	15
Edward	Hankin	60	45	0
John	Howard	5	3	15
Thomas	Harrison	37	27	15
John	Hayward	13	9	15
Nicholas	Heather	13	9	15
Hopton	Haynes Esq	23	17	5
James	Horton	22	16	10
John	How	16	12	0
Prudence	Hall	17	12	15
Messrs	Huckle & Smith in trust	20	15	0
Elizabeth	Hubbard	20	15	0
Thomas	Hughes	11	8	5
William	Hegg	19	14	5

George	Haggar	15	11	5
Benjamin	Horne	10	7	10
Mary	Hannam	5	3	15
John	Harris	9	6	15
Widow	Hughes	2	1	10
Robert	Harle	4	3	0
Joyce	Issod deceased	25	18	15
James	Jamblin deceased	10	7	10
Joseph	Jenkins	5	3	15
Mary	Jackson	11	8	5
Mary	James	10	7	10
Thomas	Kirby deceased	54	40	10
John	Knight	55	41	5
William	Kimpton	5	3	15
Anne	King	1	0	15
Edward	Leeds	250	187	10
Edward	Leeds Junr	65	48	15
Elizabeth	Leeds	5	3	15
David	Lee deceased	10	7	10
James	Lambert	27	20	5
Phebe	Lascells deceased	19	14	5
Elizabeth	Lowe	5	3	15
Messrs	Leeds & Hitchcock	25	18	15
Messrs	Leeds & Newbury	33	24	15
John	Lardner deceased	2	1	10
Richard	Matthews deceased	280	210	0
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48	36	0
Nathanael	Matson deceased	200	150	0
Mary	Mason deceased	40	30	0
Lascells	Metcalf	121	90	15
John	Muchlow	32	24	0
Jonathan	Mason	37	27	15
Cornelius	Mason Junr	45	33	15
Lascells	Metcalf junr	5	3	15
Christian	Metcalf senr	5	3	15
Christian	Metcalf junr deceased	5	3	15
Joseph	Moore	100	75	0
Anne	Moore	40	30	0
James	Mackall deceased	5	3	15
Daniel	Mocher	15	11	5
John Henry	Martins	21	15	15
Edward	Miller	25	18	15
Thomas	Merryman	10	7	10
Thomas	May	4	3	0
William	Miller	4	3	0
Anne	Mills	2	1	10

Jane	Maunde	3	2	5
John	Newton	5	3	15
Samuel	Noble	10	7	10
William	Nayler	6	4	10
Richard	Neave	16	12	0
William	Ockenden deceased	170	127	10
Thomas	Oades	20	15	0
Mary	Ockendon	15	11	5
John	Obee	3	2	5
Elizabeth	Osgood	1	0	15
Mary	Obiston	1	0	15
Clement	Plumsted deceased	10	7	10
John	Peirie deceased	20	15	0
Richard	Parks	20	15	0
John	Pilkington Esq	6	4	10
Andrew	Pitt	20	15	0
Mortimer	Powell	15	11	5
Abel	Pearse	10	7	10
William	Purdue	5	3	15
Capt John	Painter	25	18	15
Capt Richard	Peartree	10	7	10
John	Prudhom	13	9	15
Robert	Pearse	10	7	10
Ambrose	Page	40	30	0
William	Perkins	20	15	0
Isaac	Pickerell	5	3	15
Samuel	Peck	3	2	5
Gravat	Philips	3	2	5
George	Peck	1	0	15
Michael	Russell	42	31	10
Joseph	Rawbon junr	20	15	0
Thomas	Richardson	17	12	15
Richard	Reynolds	10	7	10
John	Royells	20	15	0
John	Rose	8	6	0
Edward	Richardson	6	4	10
Crist	Rundle	10	7	10
William	Read	5	3	15
James	Richardson	1	0	15
Katherine	Robinson	4	3	0
William	Raine	1	0	15
John	Rotherum	1	0	15
George	Rand	1	0	15
William	Russell	1	0	15
Joshua	Russell	1	0	15
Hannah	Reynolds	1	0	15

Robert	Rand	1	0	15
William	Smith	300	225	0
John	Salter	10	7	10
William	Squire	5	3	15
Jonathan	Scarth	6	4	10
Robert	Street	10	7	10
Rev George	Smith	34	25	10
James	Simonson	6	4	10
Robert	Sutton	5	3	15
Mary	Saunders	6	4	10
Henry	Sankey	16	12	0
Ester	Selwin	14	10	10
Thomas	Smith	14	10	10
Richard	Sheldon	7	5	5
John	Scutt	5	3	15
William	Stevens	25	18	15
Edmund	Stevens	20	15	0
Rev Thomas	Sleigh	7	5	5
Ruth	Stokes	6	4	10
Messers Thos & Jno	Smith	8	6	0
Christopher	Smith	2	1	10
Joshua	Stevens	4	3	0
Elizabeth	Stow	4	3	0
William	Soulley	4	3	0
Anne	Springham	2	1	10
Thomas	Skipp	2	1	10
Daniel	Scott	2	1	10
John	Tomkins	9	6	15
John	Tatnall	31	23	5
John	Toms	42	31	10
John	Toovey deceased in trust	50	37	10
Thomas	Thomas	8	6	0
William	Tichmarsh	14	10	10
Martin	Tomkins	25	18	15
Rebecca	Toovey	10	7	10
Richard	Taylor	30	22	10
Capt Thomas	Townshend	4	3	0
John	Usher deceased	25	18	15
Kathleen	Usher	20	15	0
Edward	Wright	100	75	0
Arthur	Woolley	120	90	0
Abell	Wilkinson	20	15	0
Dr Thomas	Walsh	20	15	0
Rev John	Willis	110	82	10
Robert	Wall	90	67	10
William	Woolley	60	45	0

John	Wall	70	52	10
John	Woolley	40	30	0
John	Willmer	10	7	10
Simeon	Warner	52	39	0
William	Wright Esq	68	51	0
Henry	Wright Esq	42	31	10
James	Ward	30	22	10
James	Wilkinson	100	75	0
Henry	Wilkinson	40	30	0
Bryan	Wheelock	30	22	10
Hannah	Ward Horsleydown	10	7	10
Randle	Wilbraham	28	21	0
Dorothy	Wyatt	16	12	0
Robert	Wickenden	40	30	0
Wight	Woolley Esq	30	22	10
George	Wass	6	4	10
Anne	Wilkinson	35	26	5
John	Westray	2	1	10
Samuel	Wright	3	2	5
Thomas	Woodward	3	2	5
William	Walker	4	3	0
William	Wilkinson	1	0	15
John	Woorell	2	1	10
James	Whitaker	3	2	5
Judith	Windsor	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>10</u>
	Total	<u>7559</u>	<u>£5,669</u>	<u>5</u>

14th February 1727 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 9 ingots of silver, 502 lb. 9 oz 9 pw 22 gr. Standard. Value £1558 14s 5d.

Samuel Wright took the oath, and William Horne signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company appointed by the Charter

28th February 1727 LLC 5

Joseph Mills was appointed as Clerk under their Chief Agent Thomas Barker at Gadlis on six months trial, and if the Company approved of him and he wished he would be continued for 5 years at £30 per annum.

14th March 1727 LLC 5

Capt John Werry took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company appointed by the Charter

28th March 1727 LLC 5

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 11th of January 1726 to 3rd Jan 1727 inclusive.

Urban Hall Esq	£10	15s	1d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£14	17s	4d
Dr Edward Wright	£10	12s	10d
Mr Edward Leeds	£14	7s	10d

Mr Samuel Beachcroft	£10	4s	3d
Mr William Smith	£14	13s	5d
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	£14	6s	5d
Mr Edward Leeds Junr	£6	16s	10d
Mr Arthur Woolley	£12	15s	11d
Mr John Toms	£14	13s	5d
Mr James Creed	£11	19s	4d
Mr Humphrey Hill	£12	5s	4d
	<u>£148</u>	<u>8s</u>	<u>0d</u>

To sundry persons for their attendance on the Sub-committee from the 11th of January 1726 to 3rd Jan 1727 inclusive.

Dr Edward Wright	£13	18s	0d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£19	6s	0d
Mr Edward Leeds	£18	18s	0d
Mr James Creed	£13	18s	0d
	<u>£66</u>	<u>0s</u>	<u>0d</u>

11th April 1727 LLC 5

The Secretary laid before the Court a draft of a lease from William Hodgson to the Company of several mines veins &c., in the Liberty & Mannor of Priorsdale in the County of Cumberland, which was read and approved.

Ordered. That the Secretary do acquaint Mr William Hodgson that the Company cannot agree to any less terms than are there set down & that they expect to see that the title is sufficiently in him before they proceed further.

Mr Creed reported he had sold Mr James Corrie 35 to 40 tuns of lead at £13 10s delivered to Bagilt.

18th April 1727 LLC 5

The Secretary Reported that according to the order of the last Court he had acquainted Mr William Hodgson of their resolution to a draft lease relating to the several mines & veins in Priorsdale in the County of Cumberland and that he the said William Hodgson gave for answer after perusal that he will not admit of the Company's having Old Tine Green and several other matters therein contained and therefore they may abide by their lease they have from Mr William Richardson.

2nd May 1727 LLC 5

John Warner signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

9th May 1727 LLC 5

The Court desires Mr James Creed to wait on the Commissioners for Managing the Duke of Queensberrys affairs in Scotland, or the Dukes Secretary, to put them in mind of obtaining the Dukes resolution to a Memorial presented by Messrs Robert Wightman, John Drummond & George Irving relating to the mines.

The treasurer reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver, 118 lb. 5 oz 18 pw 0 gr. Standard. Value £367 6s 3d.

16th May 1727 LLC 5

John Smith took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

30th May 1727 LLC 5

A warrant was given the treasurer to pay John Brown £27 2s 7d, Edward Miller £3 4s 2d, and Henry Latemar £4 4s 3d in all £34 11s for 193 ½ bushells of bone ash and 70 casks shipped on board the “William & Frances” William Raisbeck master, consigned to Jer Hunter for the Company's use.

The Court sold to James Creed all the lead for this year carried to Newcastle at £13 15s per fodder and in consideration of his giving the above price for the Newcastle lead has sold him 200 tuns of Welsh lead at £13 per fodder to be delivered at Gadlis in Flintshire.

6th June 1727 LLC 5

The treasurer reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver, 109 lb. 11 oz 2 pw 0 gr. Standard. Value £340 15s 0d.

William Nichols signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

13th June 1727 LLC 5

Whereas the Mortgages of the Company were obliged to take up according to agreement with Esquire Hope for Maeslygen and the great expense they have been at in bringing that work to the condition its now in, together with the Dead expense they have been at in carrying up the levels of Trelogan, Wanlockhead and Silver mines in Ireland and enlarging the work at Shildon, all of which are for the lasting benefit of the Company has occasioned this Court to draw larger sums on the treasurer than he had of the Company cash and for the honourable discharge of the same, was obliged to dispose of the Company stock in the South Sea Company and annuities. viz.

South Sea Stock	£2,283	13s	4d
Annuities	£2,116	5s	2d
	£4,399	18s	6d
Charges deducted	£6	2s	0d
	£4,393	16s	6d

And the Gentlemen of the Sub Committee had disposed of 236 of their own shares at £28 per share the highest market price to enable him to do it, which clear of the charges of transfer &c. amounts to £6,591 4s 5d for which the said treasurer is now ordered to be debited and the secretary is hereby ordered to give those Gentlemen credit for the like number of shares out of the Company's 2436 Maiden Shares they have so disposed of Viz.

Dr Edward Wright	80 shares	& he borrowed of
Mr John Clarke	20 shares	
Mr Enoch Floyd	60 shares	
Mr James Creed	40 shares	
Mr Edward Leeds Senr	<u>36 shares</u>	
	<u>236 shares</u>	

And that for the recruiting the Company's cash till it shall be done more effectually by the works themselves now most of them are come into profitable workings it was.

Resolved. That. The other odd 200 shares be now sold to any that will take the same at £28 per share and pay the treasurer the same.

And after the rest of the gentlemen present had declined taking any at that price they were agreed to be taken for the service of the Company by the following persons & in the following proportions Viz.

Dr Edward Wright	53 shares	Mr Edward Leeds Junr	15 shares
Mr James Creed	40 shares	Mr John Toms	10 shares
Mr Edward Leeds Senr	20 shares	Mr Humphrey Hill	20 shares
Mr Arthur Woolley	<u>20 shares</u>	Mr William Smith	10 shares
	133 shares	Mr Benjamin Hopkins	<u>12 shares</u>
	<u>67 shares</u>		<u>67 shares</u>
	<u>200 shares</u>		

20th June 1727 LLC 5

Whereas there was read this day to the Court a letter from Abraham Watson to Dr Wright and a letter from Joseph Ware by his father dated 14th instant to Mr Creed relating to the lease of the mine called Jeffrey Grove & this affair not being ripe enough for the Courts consideration they leave it to Dr Wright & Mr Creed to discuss it with Mr Ware when in town.

John Askew signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

27th June 1727 LLC 5

John Eathorn & John Dear took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

4th July 1727 LLC 5

Ordered. That a copy of William Stoddart's lease of Shildon mine in the Liberty of Blanchland in the County of Northumberland be given to Mr Ware.

11th July 1727 LLC 5

Thomas Johnston took oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

18th July 1727 LLC 5

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	11	8	5	
George	Archer	34	25	10	
James	Allen	11	8	5	
Charles	du Bois	80	60	0	
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	41	5	
Thomas	Boddington	20	15	0	
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	6	15	
James	Bowles	20	15	0	
Daniel	Bell	7	5	5	
John	Brown	30	22	10	
Margaret	Breach	30	22	10	
Thomas	Bradford &c in trust	24	18	0	
Elizabeth	Bowman	10	7	10	
Joseph	Belch	5	3	15	
Mary	Barksdale	5	3	15	
Hannabella	Briggins	20	15	0	
Keziah	Bywater	15	11	5	
Sarah	Betts	6	4	10	
Abraham	Bonifield	5	3	15	
Isaac	Boddington	3	2	5	
Elizabeth	Ball	2	1	10	
Messrs	Bur & Haggard	3	2	5	
Mary	Barnard	3	2	5	
Joseph	Bromley	3	2	5	
Rachel	Boswell	11	8	5	
Margaret	Barnes	3	2	5	

Dr Christopher	Crell	83	62	5
Thomas	Cooper deceased	40	30	0
Elizabeth	Clay deceased	80	60	0
John	Clarke	22	16	10
Ann	Chokk	25	18	15
Paul	Crell	40	30	0
James	Creed	60	45	0
Richard	Collet deceased	50	37	10
John	Crow deceased	10	7	10
Judith	Cant	8	6	0
Elizabeth	Crell	7	5	5
Leonard	Chapman	40	30	0
Nathanial	Carter	10	7	10
Peter	Collinson	13	9	15
Thomas	Cox	10	7	10
Samuel	Collett Esq	25	18	15
Elias	Collet deceased	20	15	0
Susanna	Cook	5	3	15
William	Curtis	7	5	5
Messrs	Crellius & Cole	10	7	10
Daniel	Cockerell	30	22	10
Mary	Collet	35	26	5
Timothy	Colston	20	15	0
Henry	Cockerell	3	2	5
Josiah	Colvell	1	0	15
Walter	Coleman	2	1	10
Susanna	Clarke	9	6	15
Alexander	Crouch	2	1	10
Abraham	Coleman	3	2	5
Thomas	Carter	3	2	5
Phebe	Corbin	3	2	5
Elizabeth	Clogie	5	3	15
Capt Const	Cant	11	8	5
Richard	Diamond	60	45	0
Joan	Dant deceased	100	75	0
George	Dowdswell	5	3	15
John	Dorset	9	6	15
Mary	Davis	3	2	5
John	Dear	3	2	5
Thomas	Emlin	35	26	5
William	Every deceased	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Eames	5	3	15
Sollom	Emelyn in trust	20	15	0
Joseph	Elmes	9	6	15
Sollom	Emelyn	20	15	0
Sarah	Ellis	5	3	15

John	Estaugh	100	75	0
William	Emmot	14	10	10
John	Eathorn	5	3	15
Francis	Evans	2	1	10
Enoch	Floyd	80	60	0
John	Freame	110	82	10
Nathanial	Ford	70	52	10
Sarah	Fisher	40	30	0
Deborah	Fisher deceased	30	22	10
Hannah	Fisher	30	22	10
Joseph	Freame	44	33	0
Thomas	Fellows	7	5	5
William	Fell	5	3	15
Joseph	Fookes	10	7	10
William	Foster	80	60	0
James	Fisher	1	0	15
Jacob	Foster	5	3	15
William	Fletcher	4	3	0
Robert	Fotherby	10	7	10
Thomas	Freeman	5	3	15
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	30	0
Thomas	Gould	100	75	0
Richard	Gerrey	42	31	10
John	Garret	30	22	10
Thomas	Gould junr	30	22	10
Egbert	Guede	40	30	0
Rev Benjamin	Gravener	20	15	0
William	Ginn	60	45	0
Richard	Gray	20	15	0
Joseph	Grove	25	18	15
John	Gallatley junr	25	18	15
Nathanial	Green	18	13	10
John	Graham deceased	22	16	10
Nathanial	Gwilym	2	1	10
Urban	Hall Esq	65	48	15
Joseph	Heale deceased	20	15	0
Benjamin	Hopkins	210	157	10
Thomas	Hale	20	15	0
Rev Henry	Holloway	28	21	0
John	Holloway	44	33	0
Joseph	Hill	111	83	5
Humphrey	Hill	114	85	10
Beatrice	Harman deceased	21	15	15
Edward	Hankin	60	45	0
John	Howard	5	3	15
Thomas	Harrison	37	27	15

John	Hayward	13	9	15
Nicholas	Heather	13	9	15
Hopton	Haynes Esq	23	17	5
James	Horton	22	16	10
John	How	16	12	0
Prudence	Hall	17	12	15
Messrs	Huckle & Smith in trust	20	15	0
Elizabeth	Hubbard	20	15	0
Thomas	Hughes	16	12	0
William	Hegg	20	15	0
Mary	Hawnam	5	3	15
John	Harris	30	22	10
Robert	Harle	4	3	0
Joyce	Issod deceased	25	18	15
James	Jamblin deceased	10	7	10
Joseph	Jenkins	5	3	15
Mary	Jackson	11	8	5
George	Haggar	15	11	5
Thomas	Johnson	4	3	0
Mary	James	10	7	10
Mary	Turin	3	2	5
Mary	Johnson	3	2	5
Mary	Ireland	1	0	15
Thomas	Kirby deceased	54	40	10
John	Knight	55	41	5
William	Kimpton	5	3	15
Jos	Ketch	5	3	15
Anne	King	1	0	15
Edward	Leeds	270	202	10
Edward	Leeds Junr	80	60	0
Elizabeth	Leeds	5	3	15
David	Lee deceased	10	7	10
James	Lambert	14	10	10
Phebe	Lascells deceased	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Lowe	5	3	15
Messrs	Leeds & Hitchcock	25	18	15
Messrs	Leeds & Newbury	33	24	15
John	Lardner deceased	2	1	10
Richard	Matthews deceased	230	172	10
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48	36	0
Nathanael	Matson deceased	200	150	0
Mary	Mason deceased	40	30	0
Lascells	Metcalf	121	90	15
John	Muchlow	32	24	0
Jonathan	Mason	37	27	15
Cornelius	Mason Junr	45	33	15

Lascells	Metcalf junr	5	3	15
Christian	Metcalf senr	5	3	15
Christian	Metcalf junr deceased	5	3	15
Joseph	Moore	100	75	0
Anne	Moore	40	30	0
Daniel	Mocher	15	11	5
John Henry	Martins	21	15	15
Edward	Miller	24	18	0
Thomas	Merryman	20	15	0
Thomas	May	4	3	0
William	Miller	4	3	0
Anne	Mills	2	1	10
Jane	Maunde	3	2	5
John	Newton	5	3	15
Samuel	Noble	10	7	10
William	Nayler	6	4	10
Richard	Neave	16	12	0
William	Nicholls	10	7	10
William	Ockenden deceased	170	127	10
Thomas	Oades	20	15	0
Mary	Ockendon	15	11	5
John	Obee	3	2	5
Elizabeth	Osgood	1	0	15
Mary	Obiston	1	0	15
Clement	Plumsted deceased	10	7	10
John	Peirie deceased	20	15	0
Richard	Parks	20	15	0
John	Pilkington Esq	6	4	10
Andrew	Pitt	20	15	0
Mortimer	Powell	15	11	5
Abel	Pearse	10	7	10
William	Purdue	5	3	15
Capt John	Painter	25	18	15
Capt Richard	Peartree	10	7	10
John	Prudhom	13	9	15
Robert	Pearse	10	7	10
Ambrose	Page	100	75	0
William	Perkins	10	7	10
Isaac	Pickerell	5	3	15
Thomas	Plumstead	20	15	0
Samuel	Peck	3	2	5
Michael	Russell	42	31	10
Joseph	Rawbon junr	20	15	0
Thomas	Richardson	17	12	15
Richard	Reynolds	10	7	10
John	Royells	20	15	0

John	Rose	8	6	0
Edward	Richardson	6	4	10
Crist	Rundle	10	7	10
William	Read	5	3	15
James	Richardson	1	0	15
Katherine	Robinson	4	3	0
William	Raine	1	0	15
Robert	Rand	1	0	15
George	Rand	1	0	15
Anne	Read	11	8	5
John	Rotherum	1	0	15
William	Russell	1	0	15
Joshua	Russell	1	0	15
Hannah	Reynolds	1	0	15
William	Smith	310	232	10
John	Salter	10	7	10
William	Squire	5	3	15
Jonathan	Scarth	6	4	10
Robert	Street	10	7	10
Rev George	Smith	34	25	10
James	Simonson	6	4	10
Robert	Sutton	5	3	15
Mary	Saunders	6	4	10
Henry	Sankey	16	12	0
Ester	Selwin	14	10	10
Thomas	Smith	14	10	10
Richard	Sheldon	7	5	5
John	Scutt	5	3	15
William	Stevens	25	18	15
Edmund	Stevens	25	18	15
Rev Thomas	Sleigh	7	5	5
Ruth	Stokes	4	3	0
Messers Thos & Jno	Smith	8	6	0
Christopher	Smith	2	1	10
Timothy	Squire	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Stow	4	3	0
William	Soulley	4	3	0
Anne	Springham	2	1	10
Thomas	Skipp	2	1	10
Daniel	Scott	2	1	10
Samuel	Stanley	5	3	15
Thomas	Stainbank	2	1	10
Richard	Spence	4	3	0
John	Tomkins	9	6	15
John	Tatnall	31	23	5
John	Toms	42	31	10

John	Toovey deceased in trust	50	37	10
Thomas	Thomas	8	6	0
William	Tichmarsh	14	10	10
Martin	Tomkins	25	18	15
Rebecca	Toovey	10	7	10
Richard	Taylor	30	22	10
Capt Thomas	Townshend	4	3	0
John	Usher deceased	25	18	15
Kathleen	Usher	20	15	0
Josiah	Vaughan	5	3	15
Edward	Wright	153	114	15
Arthur	Woolley	140	105	0
Abell	Wilkinson	20	15	0
Dr Thomas	Walsh	20	15	0
Rev John	Willis	110	82	10
William	Woolley	60	45	0
John	Wall	160	120	0
John	Woolley	40	30	0
John	Willmer	10	7	10
Simeon	Warner	74	55	10
William	Wright Esq	68	51	0
Henry	Wright Esq	42	31	10
James	Ward	30	22	10
James	Wilkinson	100	75	0
Henry	Wilkinson	40	30	0
Bryan	Wheelock	30	22	10
Hannah	Ward Horsleydown	10	7	10
Randle	Wilbraham	28	21	0
Dorothy	Wyatt	16	12	0
Robert	Wickenden	40	30	0
Wight	Woolley Esq	36	27	0
George	Wass	6	4	10
Anne	Wilkinson	35	26	5
John	Westray	2	1	10
Samuel	Wright	5	3	15
Thomas	Woodward	3	2	5
William	Walker	4	3	0
William	Wilkinson	1	0	15
John	Warner	10	7	10
John	Werry	20	15	0
John	Woorell	2	1	10
James	Whitaker	3	2	5
Judith	Windsor	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>10</u>
	Total	<u>8000</u>	<u>£6,000</u>	<u>0</u>

Rachel; Bosswell signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

25th July 1727 LLC 5

John Askew signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

15th August 1727 LLC 5

William Foster signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

26th September 1727 LLC 5

Dr Edward Wright & Mr James Creed Reported The State of the Companys Several Works in Wales.

Upon their arrival at Gadlis they found Mr Sidibotham of Dublin there who has hitherto furnished this Company's agent R. Spencer at the Silver Mines in Ireland with money and has bought the Company's lead from those mines, he stayed some days on purpose to settle & adjust those accounts and what Commission should be allowed him for sums, and after much Pro & Con it was agreed that for —

	£1363 15s 2½d	the amount of Irish lead he had to Ladyday last	
	<u>£1906 15s 8½d</u>	the amount of lead had from Mr Barker a 8 1/3 PCt Exch	
on	£3270 10s 11d	to allow him for commission in Cr being £32 14s	
on	£780 15s	the amount of £700 he drew on Dr Wright	
		for £300 Exch 11 ¼ PCt & 400 @ 11 ¾ PCt	
&	£5 8s 6d	for which Mr Sidibotham had 7 CWT litharge from	} £15 14
		the silver mines on those two sums being £786 3s 6d	
		allowed him for Commission 2 PCt	} £48 8
on	<u>£4056 14s 5d</u>	Irish allow Commission in Irish money @ 2 PCt	

We then proceeded to examine into all the parts of Husbandry that Thomas Barker had carried on for the convenience of the works and which he desired to be eased, it being an encumbrance upon him who had so many other branches of the concern to take care of & required his attendance & finding this article of greater extent & necessity than we were before appraised of we caused a very strict estimate to be made of it to which referr, with this remark that without this accommodation its almost impossible to have the work done in the proper time or at near the price there being so much demand for carriage in the Country that even all the rest the Company want for ore from their mines would be considerably augmented.

Another Branch that T Barker desired might be made easier to him was the keeping of the accounts which he desired might be done by an accountant sent by the Company who should have no other business & in lieu of it he and his brother Anthony would do the business of the Clerk of work house & save that salary which is £40 per annum, which upon due consideration we cannot but be of opinion will every way answer the Company's expectations better than it now stands, for under such an accountant the Company may have a weekly copy of their journal as they have of the operation and by that means able to keep the account themselves as if upon the spot.

We then proceeded to consider the several mines and firstly of Maeslughan as being the nearest to Gadlis where the weather being cool we found the wind enough and were hard at work in 2 sumps the ore about a foot thick, but was much questioned whether this after all was the main vein, D Hughes having over the hedge 2 veins & his best vein pointing a little more to the north than our present vein, our men were driving that way and were in great hopes in a few yards to find this main vein where D Hughes has now ore a yard & half thick & which goes down they arte 100 yards deep and all this summer season have no water, but in winter they have been annoyed by the pouring it from Esq Wynn's working but then in a fortnight or 3 weeks time the swallow drains it all again and this winter they hope none will stand at all they having opened more swallows by enlarging their works the same is expected and not all doubt will be in Maeslughan as in those other works as we come to enlarge our works there.

The morning we came away we were again at Maeslughan & the men had just come to the top of the new veins got some ore in it which must be left to further working to prove what it is.

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The vein in this little field of D. Hughes is not above y^e seventh part in Length of our Grant adjoining ther. has been raised from y^e 5 April 1725 to Midsum 1727 Ore to the Value of £48231 & the last Dr. about 1200 Tuns 10th was more than in any Ore & before & is very promising to go on to both in Sinking & Driving, & if our prayers like theirs, w^{ch} there is all the reason in the World to Expect we 32 yards to Sink in Ore from y^e Top of our Vein to 60 or 70 as Deep as D. Hughes, where his Ore is yerd and a half wide, & yet goes down At Moelyra is ore about half a yard thick, but does not settle in a Vein w^{ch} its hoped it is not far from & worked to good profit

At the East end of the long Rake there is a very hopeful Trial w^{ch} they hope a little time will Make Valuable, at the West end of the old Rake the new discovered Ore is half a yard thick, from whence they Expect to raise a great Deal of Ore, being Dry at Solers Like to 60. 6. as they Sink the Level they haue in y^e 1st Vein to the great Swallow being 20 yards Deeper than the Present Solers.

There are 3 or 4 more places in the old Rake where the Workmen make good wages at 30^d p^r Tun & consequently work to good Profit

There is a very considerable bargain let at the West End of pantyphuder w^{ch} is reckoned will raise a great Deal of ore to good profit the workmen having Done a great Deal of preparatory worke at their own Charge and after the first 50 Tuns are to haue but 30^d p^r Tun And at about 100 yards from y^e East End of the same rake we haue ore for 40 yards in Length w^{ch} is Lett at 12^d p^r Yard and turns out good profit as does an other bargain on the same rake Lett at 30^d p^r Tun till Xmas next. At Penyforth Newith is Lett at 40^d p^r Tun - which is a new work so cannot tell how it will prove

Lynnicoft is an other new works w^{ch} know not how it will prove There are severall trials on St. R. Moystyns Large Liberty which are not yett settled Workes but hopeful

The next is our Valuable worke of Trelogan where the Level is up w^{ch} advances as fast as can be Expected the hardness considered, which they Expect will soon alter to a Lindley shale. w^{ch} will go on much faster, & in such case they hope an other year will bring them to the Vein, and then they should carry the rest up in it and get the Ore as they go. This Level as it gains neer 40 yds below the Old Solers or Workings (it was Lett every where very good under the Level, and particularly in the Vein in y^e lower part of the Ground, where the heife part of that great Quantity of ore was got in about 120 Yards of Ground and was about 6000 Tuns) will answer

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A very Long working and as we have a Long Term to comethere, y^e Grant having lately been renewed by the present King when Primes for 31 years, will be kept in repair for every small Charge.

Not is Trelogan, wholly idle at present there being several bargains on foot about the Level w^{ch} worke to good profit, and a new Vein lately Discovered on the North side of the Old one on the rising of y^e hill in w^{ch} is Ore near a foot thick, it is prosecuting as y^e Discovery before, And about 1/2 a Mile west from Trelogan in y^e Grant of S^r Merys we are Making a very hopefull tryal w^{ch} ranges with y^e about ^{new} Vein of Trelogan & is hoped is a Branch of the Great Trelogen vein.

This vein of Trelogan also yields a good deal of Lapis Calaminaris which the Bristol Brass Wro^{op} Comp^y have Desired to have about in order to purchase what we can raise yearly, they are to have a sample in order to fix a price for the same either raw or calcined, This encouragement for the Disposal of the Calamine will get some Ore in the digging of it, and may Discover more in y^e Digging of it.

On taking Bristol in our way home were invited to & attended y^e Brasswork Committee, & fully Discoursed over the Calamine Affairs the next day Viewed their works and saw their Management of that Mineral, so y^t we Doubt not of Calcining of it fit for their purpose y^e price we did not enter upon any further than wth assurances on both sides y^t they would give us as much as they would any body, and on our parts would sell them as cheap as we would any body &c.

By y^e thus having an Accountant, W^m Barker can be paid, & his salary saved, who is now well Accomplished in y^e Mining part & Understands all our Methods of Smelting & refining, & is Capable of Corresponding with the Company in y^e same Manner as his father & brother has done, and therefore think him a very proper person to be Employ^d in Ireland in Conjunction wth W^m Greener.

The Court therefore returned their hearty thanks to y^e S^r Gentlemen for their particular trouble & care in Viewing y^e several Mines & for settling affairs with Thos Barker to make him vail in the Company's Service, & the fatigue of so great a journey.

Adjourned to Tuesday next hall —
an hour after 2 o'clock in the afternoon

3rd October 1727 LLC 5

John Pearless took the oath, Mary Hannam and Constantine Cant signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

17th October 1727 LLC 5

Elizabeth Plumstead & _____ Cant signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

The treasurer reported the weights of 5 ingots of silver, 293 lb. 1 oz 16 pw 19gr Standard. Value £908 13s 0d.

5th December 1727 LLC 5

It is desired by this Court that Mr Humphrey Hill & Mr James Creed will wait on the Duke of Queensberry or his Secretary Mr James Douglas at a proper opportunity to obtain an answer to several proposals laid before his Grace by Messrs Wightman, George Drummond and George Irving, relating to the mines at Wanlockhead.

12th December 1727 LLC 5

A Lease executed by John Ware of South Shields in the County of Durham bearing date 29th November last to the Company of all those said mines & veins of lead ore commonly called or known by the name of Jefreys Grove &c., in the Liberty & Lordship of Blanchland in the County of Northumberland for the term of 23 years from the date above mentioned has been perused & all the Covenants agreed to. But yet the Company cannot sign a Counterpart thereof because the lease executed by him is not rightly executed in the signing & sealing and is not conformable to what the Company doth in affixing their Common Seal thereto, it is therefore

Ordered. That a new lease and a counterpart with all the same covenants be engrossed and got ready this day sennights for the Company to affix their Common Seal to the Counterpart which is to be sent to Abraham Watson to be exchanged with John Ware for a new executed lease and the other already executed be also given him.

2nd January 1728 LLC 5

A Court held for the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants
The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Governor

Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor

Dr Edward Wright

Mr Edward Leeds

Mr Samuel Beachcroft

Mr Arthur Woolley

Mr Edward Leeds junr

Charles Du Bois Esq

Mr Humphrey Hill

Mr William Smith

Mr Benjamin Hopkins

Mr James Creed

Mr John Toms

John Wall Esq

9th January 1728 LLC 5

George Read, Mary Ireland took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

16th January 1728 LLC 5

Thomas Glover took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

James Kinch & Jos Westray signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

23rd January 1728 LLC 5

Upon due consideration of Mr Thomas Barker's letter our Chief Agent at Gadlis in Flintshire, dated the 22nd ulto. which contains a particular report of our several mines now in working wherein he says that he is sure from the extraordinary veins at Maeslughan and Trelogan, that we have a very much better prospect of a lasting and valuable supply of ore than all the rest of the workhouses in the country. And that he had made a fresh agreement with Mr Mesham landlord of our colliery for a large field adjoining to our old grant, which is a very great advantage to our works having coals much cheaper to us than any smelter in the whole country can be supplied with. And as we have very, that all our other works in the North and Scotland which has cost several £1,000 will for the ensuing years prove much more considerable in ore than what they have for some years done.

Therefore having such advantageous prospects of lasting and valuable works, notwithstanding for several years past they have been very chargeable and expensive by inundations and other unforeseen accidents and delays, yet we do think as the present circumstances of affairs are, that it is the Company's interest to divide 15/- per share for the dividend due at Christmas last.

A letter from Dr Edward Wright to the Court of Assistants dated 22nd January 1727. Tooting.

Gentlemen

As I have always had the good and prosperity of this Company at heart, so shall continue to promote it in all my power as long as I am able, but my years and indisposition of body makes that time appear to me to be but short, Gods will be done.

I think nothing lends more to the services & accommodation of the Court than that there a person of reputation and of easy access for people to apply to, who have business with the Company in the intervals of Court. And it is he should have a good degree of knowledge of the Company affairs & interest, and also that he be so distinguished some trust & office whereby people may have the greater confidence in him in negotiating any affair & more particularly in respect to receiving and paying of moneys with ease and satisfaction.

I think I may say our friend Creeds situation, his unquestionable ability & knowledge of the Company's affairs as well as being well known and acceptable to most of the people the Company interests lye with and amongst, renders him the most fit person to serve the Company in that situation and which I hope you will join with me to request him to accept not doubting but he will exert himself to the service of the Company as he knows & has been witness I have done before him. And both he and this Company may depend upon the utmost assistance of can give as usual both by word & writing.

I am your affectionate friend.

The above letter was read the content considered & well approved after which it was unanimously agreed by the Court of Assistants to request Mr James Creed to accept the trust & office of treasurer (in the room of Dr Edward Wright who through indisposition of body was obliged to decline it) and upon their application to him he consented and agreed to take upon him the trust of the treasurer for the service of the Company.

Therefore it was Ordered. That Dr Edward Wright do pay to Mr James Creed the balances of the Companys cash that is in hands which amounts to five thousand three hundred and fifty eight pounds four shillings and two pence and by so doing it shall be allowed a sufficient discharge.

Ordered. That from this time all the warrants signed by the Court be directed to James Creed Esq and that he be allowed one hundred pounds per annum from Christmas last being the same salary as Dr Edward Wright had as treasurer to this Company besides continuing the fifty

pounds per annum which has been allowed to him for the use of the Court Room, back parlour & counting house at his house in Mincing Lane.

30th January 1728 LLC 5

The engrossed indenture of Repartition, between the Company and George Drummond, Robert Irving & George Irving dated the instant was read and agreed to. It is therefore Ordered. That the Common Seal of the Corporation be affixed thereto, which was done accordingly.

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer to several proprietors for a dividend of 15s per share due Xmas last on 8000 shares is £6000.

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	11	8	5	
George	Archer	34	25	10	
James	Allen	11	8	5	
Charles	du Bois	80	60	0	
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	41	5	
Thomas	Boddington	20	15	0	
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	6	15	
James	Bowles	20	15	0	
Margaret	Breach	30	22	10	
Thomas	Bradford &c in trust	24	18	0	
Elizabeth	Bowman	10	7	10	
Joseph	Belch	5	3	15	
Mary	Barksdale	5	3	15	
Hannabella	Briggins	20	15	0	
Keziah	Bywater	15	11	5	
Sarah	Betts	6	4	10	
Abraham	Bonifield	5	3	15	
Maria Bella	Briggins	20	15	0	
Rachel	Boswell	11	8	5	
Isaac	Boddington	3	2	5	
Elizabeth	Ball	2	1	10	
Joseph	Bromley	3	2	5	
Margaret	Barnes	3	2	5	
Mary	Barnard	3	2	5	
Messrs	Burr & Haggard	3	2	5	
Dr Christopher	Crell	83	62	5	
Thomas	Cooper deceased	40	30	0	
Elizabeth	Clay deceased	80	60	0	
John	Clarke	38	28	10	
Ann	Chokk	25	18	15	
Paul	Crell	40	30	0	
James	Creed	60	45	0	
Richard	Collet deceased	50	37	10	
John	Crow deceased	10	7	10	
Judith	Cant	8	6	0	
Elizabeth	Crell	7	5	5	

Leonard	Chapman	40	30	0
Nathanial	Carter	10	7	10
Peter	Collinson	13	9	15
Thomas	Cox	10	7	10
Samuel	Collett Esq	25	18	15
Elias	Collet deceased	20	15	0
Susanna	Cook	5	3	15
Messrs	Crellius & Cole	10	7	10
Daniel	Cockerell	7	5	5
Mary	Collet	69	51	15
Timothy	Colston	20	15	0
Susanna	Clogie	9	6	15
Capt Const	Cant	11	8	5
Elizabeth	Clogie	5	3	15
Henry	Cockerell	3	2	5
Josiah	Colvell	1	0	15
Walter	Coleman	2	1	10
Alexander	Crouch	2	1	10
Abraham	Coleman	3	2	5
Sarah	Catherall	4	3	0
Thomas	Carter	3	2	5
Phebe	Corbin	3	2	5
Richard	Diamond	60	45	0
George	Dowdswell	5	3	15
John	Dorset	9	6	15
Mary	Davis	3	2	5
John	Dear	3	2	5
Thomas	Emlin	35	26	5
William	Every deceased	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Eames	5	3	15
Sollom	Emelyn in trust	20	15	0
Joseph	Elmes	9	6	15
Sollom	Emelyn	20	15	0
Sarah	Ellis	5	3	15
John	Estaugh	100	75	0
William	Emmot	14	10	10
John	Eathorn	5	3	15
Francis	Evans	2	1	10
Enoch	Floyd	80	60	0
John	Freame	110	82	10
Nathanial	Ford	70	52	10
Sarah	Fisher	40	30	0
Deborah	Fisher deceased	30	22	10
Hannah	Fisher	30	22	10
Joseph	Freame	44	33	0
Thomas	Fellows	7	5	5

William	Fell	5	3	15
Joseph	Fookes	10	7	10
William	Foster	100	75	0
Jacob	Foster	10	7	10
William	Fletcher	5	3	15
Robert	Fotherby	10	7	10
Thomas	Freeman	5	3	15
James	Fisher	1	0	15
Nicholas	Frankland	2	1	10
William	Fletcher	4	3	0
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	30	0
Thomas	Gould	100	75	0
Richard	Gerrey	42	31	10
John	Garret	30	22	10
Thomas	Gould junr	30	22	10
Egbert	Guede	40	30	0
Rev Benjamin	Gravener	20	15	0
William	Ginn	60	45	0
Richard	Gray	18	13	10
Joseph	Grove	15	11	5
John	Gallatley junr	25	18	15
Nathanial	Green	20	15	0
John	Graham deceased	22	16	10
Messrs	Gould & Larks	50	37	10
Thomas	Glover	10	7	10
Tralucia	Ginn	5	3	15
Urban	Hall Esq	65	48	15
Joseph	Heale deceased	10	7	10
Benjamin	Hopkins	214	160	10
Thomas	Hale	20	15	0
Rev Henry	Holloway	28	21	0
Joseph	Hill	111	83	5
John	Holloway	44	33	0
Humphrey	Hill	114	85	10
Beatrice	Harman deceased	21	15	15
Edward	Hankin	60	45	0
John	Howard	5	3	15
Thomas	Harrison	37	27	15
John	Hayward	13	9	15
Nicholas	Heather	13	9	15
Hopton	Haynes Esq	23	17	5
James	Horton	22	16	10
John	How	16	12	0
Prudence	Hall	17	12	15
Messrs	Huckle & Smith in trust	20	15	0
Elizabeth	Hubbard	20	15	0

Thomas	Hughes	20	15	0
William	Hegg deceased	20	15	0
George	Haggar	15	11	5
John	Harris	32	24	0
John	Hill	5	3	15
Robert	Harle	4	3	0
Joyce	Issod deceased	25	18	15
James	Jamblin deceased	10	7	10
Joseph	Jenkins	12	9	0
Mary	Jackson	17	12	15
Mary	James	10	7	10
Mary	Turin	3	2	5
Mary	Johnson	3	2	5
Mary	Ireland	1	0	15
Thomas	Kirby deceased	54	40	10
John	Knight	55	41	5
William	Kimpton	5	3	15
Jos	Ketch	5	3	15
James	Kinch	12	9	0
Susanna	King	1	0	15
Edward	Leeds	245	183	15
Edward	Leeds Junr	70	52	10
Elizabeth	Leeds	5	3	15
David	Lee deceased	10	7	10
James	Lambert	10	7	10
Phebe	Lascells deceased	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Lowe	5	3	15
Messrs	Leeds & Hitchcock	25	18	15
Messrs	Leeds & Newbury	33	24	15
John	Lardner deceased	2	1	10
Mary	Lee	20	15	0
Richard	Matthews deceased	230	172	10
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48	36	0
Nathanael	Matson deceased	200	150	0
Mary	Mason deceased	40	30	0
Lascells	Metcalf	133	99	15
John	Muchlow	32	24	0
Jonathan	Mason	37	27	15
Cornelius	Mason Junr	45	33	15
Lascells	Metcalf junr	5	3	15
Christian	Metcalf senr	5	3	15
Christian	Metcalf junr deceased	5	3	15
Joseph	Moore	100	75	0
Anne	Moore	40	30	0
Daniel	Mocher	15	11	5
John Henry	Martins	21	15	15

Edward	Miller	29	21	15
Thomas	Merryman	20	15	0
Katherine	Merchant	25	18	15
Thomas	May	4	3	0
William	Miller	4	3	0
Anne	Mills	2	1	10
Jane	Maunde	3	2	5
John	Newton	5	3	15
Samuel	Noble	10	7	10
William	Nayler	6	4	10
Richard	Neave	16	12	0
William	Nicholls	10	7	10
William	Ockenden deceased	170	127	10
Thomas	Oades	20	15	0
Mary	Ockendon	15	11	5
John	Obee	3	2	5
Elizabeth	Osgood	1	0	15
Mary	Obiston	1	0	15
Clement	Plumsted deceased	10	7	10
John	Peirie deceased	20	15	0
Richard	Parks	20	15	0
Andrew	Pitt	20	15	0
Mortimer	Powell	15	11	5
Abel	Pearse	10	7	10
William	Purdue	5	3	15
Capt John	Painter	25	18	15
Capt Richard	Peartree	10	7	10
John	Prudhom	13	9	15
Robert	Pearse	10	7	10
Ambrose	Page	135	101	5
Isaac	Pickerell	5	3	15
Thomas	Plumstead	20	15	0
Elizabeth	Plumstead	15	11	5
Isaac	Paulden	7	5	5
John	Pearless	5	3	15
John	Pilkington Esq	3	2	5
Samuel	Peck	3	2	5
Mary	Pearless	3	2	5
Michael	Russell	42	31	10
Joseph	Rawbon junr	20	15	0
Thomas	Richardson	17	12	15
Richard	Reynolds	11	8	5
John	Royells	20	15	0
John	Rose	8	6	0
James	Richardson	1	0	15
George	Rand	1	0	15

William	Russell	1	0	15
Edward	Richardson	6	4	10
Crist	Rundle	10	7	10
William	Read deceased	5	3	15
George	Read	5	3	15
Anne	Read	11	8	5
Joshua	Russell	1	0	15
Hannah	Reynolds	1	0	15
Robert	Rand	1	0	15
William	Smith	260	195	0
John	Salter	10	7	10
William	Squire	5	3	15
Jonathan	Scarth	6	4	10
Robert	Street	10	7	10
Rev George	Smith	34	25	10
James	Simonson	6	4	10
Robert	Sutton	5	3	15
Mary	Saunders	6	4	10
Henry	Sankey	16	12	0
Ester	Selwin	14	10	10
Thomas	Smith	15	11	5
Richard	Sheldon	7	5	5
John	Scutt	5	3	15
William	Stevens	25	18	15
Edmund	Stevens	25	18	15
Rev Thomas	Sleigh	8	6	0
Messers Thos & Jno	Smith	8	6	0
Samuel	Stanley	5	3	15
Timothy	Squire	5	3	15
Christopher	Smith	2	1	10
Elizabeth	Stow	4	3	0
William	Sulley	4	3	0
Anne	Springham	2	1	10
Thomas	Skipp	2	1	10
Daniel	Scott	2	1	10
John	Tomkins	9	6	15
John	Tatnall	31	23	5
John	Toms	32	24	0
John	Toovey deceased in trust	50	37	10
Thomas	Thomas	8	6	0
William	Tichmarsh	9	6	15
Martin	Tomkins	25	18	15
Rebecca	Toovey	10	7	10
Richard	Taylor	30	22	10
John	Thompson	4	3	0
John	Usher deceased	25	18	15

Kathleen	Usher	20	15	0
Josiah	Vaughan	5	3	15
Richard	Spence	4	3	0
Edward	Wright	100	75	0
Arthur	Woolley	120	90	0
Abell	Wilkinson	10	7	10
Dr Thomas	Walsh	20	15	0
Rev John	Willis	110	82	10
William	Woolley deceased	55	41	5
John	Wall	160	120	0
John	Woolley	40	30	0
John	Willmer	10	7	10
Simeon	Warner	74	55	10
William	Wright Esq	68	51	0
Henry	Wright Esq	42	31	10
James	Ward	45	33	15
James	Wilkinson	100	75	0
Henry	Wilkinson	40	30	0
Bryan	Wheelock	30	22	10
Hannah	Ward Horsleydown	10	7	10
Randle	Wilbraham	28	21	0
Dorothy	Wyatt	16	12	0
Robert	Wickenden	40	30	0
Wight	Woolley Esq	36	27	0
George	Wass	6	4	10
Anne	Wilkinson	35	26	5
Messrs	Warner & Baker	50	37	10
Edward	Wills	8	6	0
Rev Samuel	Wright	5	3	15
Capt John	Werry	20	15	0
Capt John	Warner	10	7	10
Jos	Westray	2	1	10
Thomas	Woodward	3	2	5
William	Wilkinson	1	0	15
John	Woorell	2	1	10
James	Whitaker	3	2	5
Judith	Windsor	2	1	10
	Total	<u>8000</u>	<u>£6,000</u>	<u>0</u>

Mr James Creed Treasurer, Reported that according to the order of the last Court he had received of Dr Edward Wright the late treasurer the sum of £5358 4s 2d being the full balance of the Company's cash in his hand.

6th February 1728 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weight of 1 ingot of silver, 48 lb. 3 oz 10 pw 0 gr. fine. 51 lb. 6 oz 13 pw 3 gr. Standard. Value £159 15s 9d.

13th February 1728 LLC 6

James Blondell took the oaths of fidelity & secrecy of the Company in open Court. William Harrison took the oath appointed by the Charter in open Court before the Deputy Governor, and thereupon was admitted a member of the Company.

It is desired of Mr James Creed by the Court to exchange with Mr James Douglas indenture of repartition by the Company for the Counter Part executed by George Drummond, R Wightman & George Jobling and all other ----- which relates to the Copartnership of the mines at Wanlockhead.

20th February 1728 LLC 6

William Shatton took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

Mr James Creed. Reported that according to the desire of the Court last day he had exchanged with Mr James Douglas the indenture of Repartition and also had exchanged when cancelled the deed of Copartnership dated 25th July 1721 & the Duke of Queensbury's assignment of the quarter part the company dated 24th July 1721.

12th March 1728 LLC 6

The engrossed lease from Mr William Hodgson to the Company of several mines, veins &c., in the Liberty & manor of Priorsdale & also the counterpart was read and agreed. Ordered. That the Seal of the Corporation be affixed to the Counterpart

Ordered. That the secretary do exchange at the same time with Mr William Richardson the old lease of the said mines and veins &c. in Priorsdale formerly granted to the Company by his father Thomas Richardson bearing the date 1st July 1707 for that Counterpart which does not any longer subsist. The said Mr William Hodgson being now invested in the aforesaid estate by deed of conveyance for the said Thomas Richardson bearing date 1st September last.

2nd April 1728 LLC 6

John Thompson took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

9th April 1728 LLC 6

Joseph Davis Esq., Elinor Davis and Abraham Atkins, severally took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

16th April 1728 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weight of 1 ingot of silver, 66 lb. 8 oz 10 pw 0 gr. Standard. Value £220 5s 11d.

It is desired by this Court that Mr James Creed (Court Assistant) will exchange with Sir John Areskine his indenture of lease bearing the date 21st October 1722 of all and every mines lying and being within and underforth and out of all those grounds commonly called or known by the name of the hills of Alva in the County or Shire of Stirling in Great Britain called Scotland for the Company Counterpart bearing upon date.

30th April 1728 LLC 6

Mr Thomas Bradley, Benjamin De Vinck, Wm De Gol & Jno Gollatly, severally took the oaths appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in Open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

Maria Bella Biggins signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

7th May 1728 LLC 6

Mr James Creed reported that he had exchanged and cancelled with Sir John Areskine the Lease for the Counterpart bearing date 21st October 1722 and 15th May 1724.

14th May 1728 LLC 6

100 casks of Bone Ash quantity 270 Bushel's was sent to the Company's works at Whitfield.

28th May 1728 LLC 6

A pair of double bellows and two hand screws were sent to the Company's works at Kilboy in Ireland.

4th June 1728 LLC 6

Elias Ockenden signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

18th June 1728 LLC 6

Elias Bockett signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

The Secretary reported that for the service of this Company several Gentlemen had out of their own shares in the Company stock sold 570 shares and that such 570 shares had produced in money after deduction of Commissions & charge of transfer £16111 18s 10d, money he had received and paid into the treasurer and that the said gentlemen were willing to accept out of the Company's Maiden Shares the like number they severally have sold in lieu of what they have sold.

Ordered. That the thanks of this Court be given to the said Gentlemen for the service done them to this Company by their selling the said shares & that the like number of shares they severally sold be placed to each of their accounts respectively out of this Company's Maiden Shares as follows, to the credit of

Mr Enoch Floyd	40 shares
Dr Edward Wright	80 shares
Mr Edward Leeds Sen'r	150 shares
Mr Humphrey Hill	100 shares
Mr Anthony Woolley	100 shares
Mr Edward Leeds Jun'r	30 shares
John Clarkes	20 shares
Mr James Creed	<u>50 shares</u>
In all	570 shares

And it being proposed at this Court that any members of the Court might have what shares they pleased out of said Maiden shares at £28 10s per share, Mr Benjamin Hopkins agreed to take sixty shares and Mr William Smith six shares.

25th June 1728 LLC 6

The Court taking into consideration the state of the Company's affairs do observe.

That by means of the continued charge and disappointment at Maeslygen, occasioned by the great quantity of water that mine has been troubled with, which it has been necessary for the Company to forbear drawing in order to bring the neighbouring partnership on David Hughes work to a contribution towards the charges of freeing the said mine from water, as the water from their work comes in on ours and there is such a communication as it is impossible to hinder it.

And the Low Level at Trelogan having proved hard has been thereby considerably delayed in carrying up and the expense thereby the greater.

And the Company's works in the North having also been very chargeable in completing the engine and bargaining with Mr Ware for his mines and smelting and Refining works &c. And the works at the Silver mines in Ireland having also been very expensive about £2,000 having been laid out on them for the Company share being eleven sixteenth besides the produce of lead and silver that has been made there.

By means of which and the Company having continued under these disappointments to make their usual dividend (as it has from time to time appeared reasonable and necessary so to do, on due consideration of the prospects before them of the mines coming in particular Maeslygen and Trelogan and for the support of the Company's credit and the interest of the proprietors). Notwithstanding that the Company's other mines in Wales have yielded very well, they have not been sufficient to answer these disappointments.

So that the treasurer has been considerably in disburse to answer the Company's several drafts, and whereas duly considering that the money laid out on the fore mentioned works may be quickly refunded when either Maeslygen is fully at work (the profits at the neighbouring mines of Hughes having been in one year much more than sufficient to answer the Company's annual charges including what they divide, for by the account of our agent procured from the Steward of those works in September 1727, there had been raised in that last year 3,000 Tons of ore yielding £20,000 profit and better and the profit raised by Mr Wynn for many years together (which is from a work on the same vein as all miners judge) is incredible, or Trelogan which work when lead was at £9 per fother was computed to yield more than £12,000 per annum profit and by this account of our agent that work when the Low Level is finished will be more lasting and of greater value than ever it has yet proved and by late accounts from our agent we find the Upper level having recovered itself has enabled him to let several very profitable Bargains to work on that mine so that he hopes to raise considerably and our works in the North and at the Silver mines in Ireland affording good prospect of future profits and considering what may be the dangerous consequence to the Company's credit and interest of every proprietor should we forebear the usual dividend at this time.

Resolved that the 1,364 Maiden shares of this Company and they are hereby in the sub committee to be sold as they from time to time direct and approve for the use and service of the Company and their affairs not doubting and hereby directing the said committee to buy in for the use of the said company the like number of shares as they shall sell when and at such times as they shall judge it most proper for the Company's interest so to do.

2nd July 1728 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver, 130 lb. 0 oz 4 pw 13 gr. Standard. Value £403 1s 0d.

The Warrants for a Midsummer dividend of 15/- were to be prepared by the secretary.

9th July 1728 LLC 6

Warrants were signed & given the treasurer to the several proprietors for a dividend due at Midsummer last on 9636 shares at 15s per share.

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	11	8	5	
George	Archer	34	25	10	
James	Allen	11	8	5	
Abraham	Atkins	50	37	10	
Charles	du Bois	80	60		
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	41	5	
Thomas	Boddington	20	15		
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	6	15	
James	Bowles	20	15		
Marg	Breach	30	22	10	

Thomas	Bradford in trust	24	18	
Elizabeth	Bowman	10	7	10
Mary	Barksdale	5	3	15
Hannah Bella	Biggins	20	15	
Keziah	Bywater	15	11	5
Sarah	Betts	6	4	10
Abraham	Bonifield	5	3	15
Maria Bella	Biggins	40	30	
Rachel	Boswell	11	8	5
Isaac	Boddington	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Ball	2	1	10
Messrs	Buirk & Haggard	3	2	5
Elizabeth	Bovington	2	1	10
Guilelma	Briggins	20	15	
John	Bell	12	9	
Elias	Bockett	6	4	10
Thomas	Bradley	40	30	
Joseph	Bromley deceased	3	2	5
Margaret	Barnes	3	2	5
Daniel	Bell	6	4	10
Christopher	Crell deceased	83	62	5
Thomas	Cowper deceased	40	30	
Elizabeth	Clay	80	60	
John	Clarke	50	37	10
Ann	Chokk	25	18	15
Paul	Crell	40	30	
James	Creed	60	45	
Richard	Collett deceased	50	37	10
John	Crow	10	7	10
Judith	Cant	8	6	
Elizabeth	Crell	30	22	10
Leonard	Chapman	40	30	
Nathanial	Carter	10	7	10
Peter	Collinson	13	9	15
Thomas	Cox	10	7	10
James	Collett Esq	25	18	15
Elias	Collett deceased	20	15	
Susannah	Cook	5	3	15
Messrs	Crellius & Cole	10	7	10
Daniel	Cockerell	7	5	5
Mary	Collet	69	51	15
Timothy	Colston	20	15	
Susanna	Clogie	9	6	15
Capt Const	Cante	11	8	5
Elizabeth	Clogie	5	3	15
Hen	Cockerell	3	2	5

Josiah	Colvill	1	0	15
Walter	Coleman	2	1	10
Alexander	Crouch	2	1	10
Abraham	Coleman	3	2	5
Elias	Collett	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Collett	5	3	15
Sarah	Catherall	9	6	15
Phebe	Corbin	3	2	5
Capt John	Clarke	3	2	5
Richard	Diamond	60	45	
George	Dowdswell	5	3	15
John	Dorsses	9	6	15
Mary	Davies	4	3	
John	Dear	5	3	15
Salathiel	Dean	2	1	10
Joseph	Davies	20	15	
Elinor	Davies	50	37	10
Benjamin	De Vinck	40	30	
Thomas	Emlin	35	26	5
William	Every	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Eames	5	3	15
Sollom	Emlyn in trust	20	15	
Joseph	Elmer	9	6	15
Sollom	Emlyn	25	18	15
Sarah	Ellis	5	3	15
John	Estaugh	100	75	
William	Emmot	22	16	10
John	Eathorn	5	3	15
John	Ellill	20	15	
Frances	Evans	2	1	10
Enoch	Floyd	80	60	
John	Freame	110	82	10
Nathanial	Ford	70	52	10
Sarah	Fisher	40	30	
Deborah	Fisher	30	22	10
Hannah	Fisher	30	22	10
Joseph	Freame	44	33	
Thomas	Fellows	7	5	5
William	Fell	5	3	15
Joseph	Fookes	10	7	10
William	Foster	100	75	
Jacob	Foster	10	7	10
William	Fletcher	11	8	5
Robert	Fotherby	10	7	10
James	Fisher	1	0	15
Nicholas	Frankland	2	1	10

William	Fletcher	4	3	
Timothy	Field	10	7	10
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	30	
Thomas	Gould	100	75	
Richard	Gerry	42	31	10
John	Garret deceased	30	22	10
Thomas	Gould Junr	30	22	10
Robert	Guede	50	37	10
Rev Benjamin	Grosvenor	20	15	
William	Ginn	56	42	
Richard	Gray	16	12	
Joseph	Grove	15	11	5
John	Gallatly junr	20	15	
Nathaniel	Green	20	15	
John	Graham deceased	22	16	10
Messrs	Gould & Larks	50	37	10
Thomas	Glover	10	7	10
Trelucia	Ginn	9	6	15
William	De Gols	10	7	10
Urban	Hall Esq	65	48	15
Benjamin	Hopkins	274	205	10
Thomas	Hale	20	15	
Rev Henry	Holloway	28	21	
John	Holloway deceased	44	33	
Joseph	Hill	111	83	5
Humphrey	Hill	114	85	10
Beatrice	Harman deceased	21	15	15
Edward	Hankin	60	45	
John	Howard	5	3	15
Thomas	Harrison	40	30	
John	Hayward	13	9	15
Nicholas	Heather	13	9	15
Hopton	Haynor Esq	23	17	5
James	Horton	22	16	10
John	How	16	12	
Prudence	Hall	17	12	15
Messrs	Huckle & Smith	20	15	
Elizabeth	Hubbard	20	15	
Thomas	Hughes	23	17	5
William	Hegg deceased	19	14	5
George	Haggar	15	11	5
John	Harris	40	30	
John	Hill	5	3	15
Capt Wm.	Harrison	7	5	5
Robert	Harle	4	3	
William	Hill	4	3	

Adrian	Houser	17	12	15
Joyce	Issod	25	18	15
James	Jamblin	10	7	10
Joseph	Jenkins	17	12	15
Mary	Jackson	17	12	15
Mary	James	10	7	10
Mary	Jurin	3	2	5
Mary	Johnson	3	2	5
Thomas	Isaacks	5	3	15
Mary	Ireland	1	0	15
Thomas	Kirby deceased	52	39	
John	Knight	55	41	5
William	Kimpton	5	3	15
Joseph	Ketch	5	3	15
James	Kinch	12	9	
Susannah	King	1	0	15
Edward	Leeds	220	165	
Edward	Leeds junr	40	30	
Elizabeth	Leeds	11	8	5
Daniel	Lee	10	7	10
James	Lambert	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Low	5	3	15
Messrs	Leeds & Hitchcock	25	18	15
Messrs	Leeds & Newbery	33	24	15
Mary	Lee	30	22	10
Richard	Matthews deceased	230	172	10
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48	36	
Nathanael	Matson deceased	120	90	
Mary	Mason deceased	40	30	
Lascells	Metcalf	133	99	15
John	Mucklow	32	24	
Jonathan	Mason deceased	37	27	15
Cornelius	Mason	45	33	15
Lascells	Metcalf junr	5	3	15
Christian	Metcalf	5	3	15
Christian	Metcalf junr	5	3	15
Joseph	Moore	100	75	
Anne	Moore	40	30	
Daniel	Mocher	15	11	5
John Henry	Mertins	21	15	15
Edward	Miller	19	14	5
Thomas	Merryman	20	15	
Kath	Merchant	25	18	15
Thomas	May	4	3	
Gilbert	Molleson	50	37	10
William	Miller	4	3	

Anne	Mills	2	1	10
Jane	Maunde	3	2	5
Mary	May	10	7	10
John	Newton	5	3	15
Samuel	Noble	15	11	5
William	Nayler	8	6	
Richard	Neave	24	18	
William	Nichols	10	7	10
William	Ockenden deceased	134	100	10
Thomas	Oades	20	15	
Mary	Ockenden	15	11	5
John	Obee	3	2	5
Elizabeth	Ossgood	1	0	15
Mary	Obiston	1	0	15
William	Ockenden	23	17	5
Elias	Ockenden	13	9	15
Clement	Plumsted deceased	10	7	10
John	Peirie deceased	20	15	
Richard	Parker	20	15	
Andrew	Pit	20	15	
Mortimer	Powell	15	11	5
Abel	Pearse	10	7	10
William	Purdue	5	3	15
Capt John	Painter	35	26	5
Capt John	Pairtree	10	7	10
John	Prudom	16	12	
Robert	Peirie deceased	5	3	15
Ambrose	Page	185	138	15
Isaac	Pickerell	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Plumstead	15	11	5
Isaac	Paulden	7	5	5
John	Pearless	5	3	15
John	Pilkington Esq	3	2	5
John	Peck	5	3	15
Charles	Pearce	5	3	15
Mary	Pearce	5	3	15
Mary	Pearless	3	2	5
Samuel	Peck	3	2	5
John	Quait	3	2	5
Michael	Russell	42	31	10
Joseph	Rawbon	20	15	
Thomas	Richardson	17	12	15
Richard	Reynolds	11	8	5
John	Royells	20	15	
John	Rose	8	6	
Edward	Richardson	6	4	10

Christopher	Rundle	30	22	10
William	Read deceased	5	3	15
George	Read	5	3	15
Anne	Read	11	8	5
James	Richardson	1	0	15
George	Rand	1	0	15
William	Russell	1	0	15
Joshua	Russell	1	0	15
Hannah	Reynolds	1	0	15
Robert	Ranel	1	0	15
Thomas	Reynolds	5	3	15
William	Smith	266	199	10
John	Salter	10	7	10
William	Squire	5	3	15
Jonathan	Scarth	6	4	10
Robert	Street	10	7	10
Rev George	Smith	34	25	10
James	Simonsen	13	9	15
Robert	Sutton	5	3	15
Mary	Saunders	6	4	10
Henry	Sankey	16	12	
Eller	Silvin	13	9	15
Thomas	Smith	15	11	5
Richard	Sheldon	7	5	5
John	Scutt	5	3	15
William	Stevens	25	18	15
Edmund	Stevens	30	22	10
Rev Thomas	Sleigh	8	6	
Messrs Thos & Jno	Smith	8	6	
Samuel	Stanley	5	3	15
Timothy	Square	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Stow	4	3	
Cuthbert	Smith	2	1	10
William	Shaton	20	15	
Kath	Sherwood	1	0	15
William	Soulley	4	3	
Anne	Springham	2	1	10
Thomas	Skip	2	1	10
Daniel	Scott	2	1	10
Richard	Spence	4	3	
Thomas	Stood	6	4	10
Joseph	Sterry	20	15	
John	Tomkins	9	6	15
John	Tatnal	43	32	5
John	Toms	32	24	
Thomas	Thomas	8	6	

William	Tichmarsh	9	6	15
Martin	Tomkins	28	21	
Rebecca	Toovey	10	7	10
Richard	Taylor	30	22	10
John	Thomson	20	15	
Capt Thomas	Townsend	9	6	15
John	Usher	25	18	15
Kath	Usher	20	15	
Josiah	Vaughan	10	7	10
Dr Edward	Wright	100	75	
Arthur	Woolley	116	87	
Abel	Wilkinson	5	3	15
Dr Thomas	Walsh	30	22	10
Rev John	Willis	110	82	10
William	Woolley deceased	6	4	10
John	Wall Esq	151	113	5
John	Woolley	54	40	10
John	Wilmer	10	7	10
Simeon	Warner	81	60	15
William	Wright Esq	68	51	
Henry	Wright Esq	42	31	10
James	Ward	61	45	15
James	Wilkinson	100	75	
Henry	Wilkinson	40	30	
Bryan	Wheelock	30	22	10
Hannah	Ward Horsleydown	10	7	10
Randle	Wilbraham Esq	40	30	
Dorothy	Wyal	23	17	5
Robert	Wickenden	40	30	
Wight	Woolley Esq	100	75	
George	Wass	6	4	10
Anne	Wilkinson	35	26	5
Messrs	Warner & Baker	50	37	10
Edward	Wills	14	10	10
Rev Samuel	Wright	5	3	15
Capt John	Werry	20	15	
John	Warner	10	7	10
Thomas	Woodward	3	2	5
Jane	Wilson	24	18	
John	Welles	1	0	15
John	Worrell	2	1	10
James	Whitaker	3	2	5
Judith	Windsor	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>10</u>
		8636	£6,477	0

16th July 1728 LLC 6

A warrant given to the treasurer, to Thomas Stainbank or order for discharge of sundry goods shipped on board Heph Walters for the use of the Company's works in Wales

6 Barrels of Gunpowder	£22 17s 6d
20 Bundles of Hoops	£17 10s 6d
2 Pairs of Bellows and Charges	<u>£10 10s 0d</u>
	<u>£50 18s 0d</u>

Joseph Storry signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

23rd July 1728 LLC 6

The Court on considering the resolution taken 23rd June last for selling the Maiden Shares think it the easiest way & do therefore direct & order that for the future the Secretary as he sells any of the said Maiden shares from time to time, do out of the said shares as shall remain the property of the Company carry to the credit of such person or persons as shall transfer the same to such buyers from time to time so many of the said shares as there may be occasion for and that the secretary do pay from time to time the Neat money which shall be received for the same to the treasurer and report the proceedings to this Court.

13th August 1728 LLC 6

Nathaniel Miers, Mary Pearce, Elizabeth Fell, Daniel Stott & George Haggard, signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

20th August 1728 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weights of 3 ingots of silver, 195 lb. 1 oz 5 pw 8 gr. Standard. Value £604 16s 2d.

27th August 1728 LLC 6

James Bowles, Jer. Harman & John Tendall took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

17th September 1728 LLC 6

Anne Benson, Jane Woolley & Anne Wilkinson signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

22nd October 1728 LLC 6

The draft of a lease from Sir Thomas Standish to Thomas Barker for the Company of his mines in the Manor or Lordship of Angles Arke alias Angloz Arke in the Parish of Bolton in the County of Lancaster for 31 years being read approved.

12th November 1728 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weights of 3 ingots of silver, 191 lb. 10 oz 3 pw 3 gr. Standard. Value £594 14s 5d.

3rd December 1728 LLC 6

John Gray signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

10th December 1728 LLC 6

Ordered. That out of the Maiden Shares of this Company in order to be sold there be placed in the Companys Books 20 shares to the credit of Mr Joseph Hankey, 20 shares to the credit of

Mr Thomas Hankey, and 150 shares to the credit of James Creed Esq, our treasurer, who are to account for the same from time to time as they shall dispose of them or any part thereof.

24th December 1728 LLC 6

The Secretary reported that since Mid Summer last he had sold to the following persons 240 shares of the Company's Maiden shares Viz.

John Clarke	40 shares
Samuel Orme	53 shares
Thomas Stainbank	147 shares

The secretary further reported that pursuant to the order of this Court 10th instant he had by transfer from James Creed Esq., placed to the credit of Mr Joseph Hankey 20 shares, & to the credit of Mr Thomas Hankey 20 shares of the Company's stock. And also 50 shares to the credit of Mr Joseph Marriot being part of the 150 shares, which were placed to the credit of the treasurer by order of the Court of the 10th instant.

31st December 1728 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weights of 4 ingots of silver, 234 lb. 10 oz 19 pw 13 gr. Standard. Value £728 4s 5d.

14th January 1729 LLC 6

The Court proceeded to consider the dividend to be made at Christmas past and ordered the reading of Mr Thomas Barker's letter of the 27th ult. by which it appears that the several mines under his management in Flintshire, have raised for this last quarter very considerably of ore, rather more than should have been expected and that he did not doubt but that they would raise full as much this next quarter if not more and giving better expectation of Maeslygan proving extraordinary in the ensuing year, on he writes viz.

"I thank God we have no melancholy prospects for the next year tho must confess from the proof of the Great Vein above us, had great reason to expect it would this year have proved better for us at Maeslygen but I believe from the nature of mining, I may affirm that, that work will next year far exceed what may from our past gettings be expected. And as our pit on the coal in the new grant from Meshem goes down very well and the water easy it will be done by May at furthest and doubt not but that it will be of great advantage to the Company the coal being very good when we have prickt it in driving thro the Barr from the Old Coal Work and besides this we have a great range of coal in the old grant above the water which when we have occasion for, may get for half their value so may affirm we are sure of a lasting supply of that valuable article at much cheaper rate and better than any Workhouse in the Country."

And having had account given us by Abraham Watson that our several mines in the North and also Scotland will for this ensuing year raise considerable of ore to what they did tho last and consequently yield much greater profit.

We have been the last year at very great expense in clearing the water at Shildon and erecting an engine and also been at considerable charge in setting to work at Jeffrey's Grove which we have lately taken a lease from Mr John Ware, all which being now perfected will be much reduced and we hope the profit much increased.

Therefore from these reports having great expectations for the ensuing year we think it the Company's interest to divide for the last year due at Christmas 15s per share.

21st January 1729 LLC 6

Warrants were signed & given the treasurer to the several proprietors for a dividend due at Xmas last on 9096 shares at 15s per share.

		Shares	£	s	d
John	Askew	11	8	5	
George	Archer	34	25	10	

James	Allen	11	8	5
Abraham	Atkins	50	37	10
Charles	du Bois	80	60	
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	41	5
Thomas	Boddington	20	15	
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	6	15
James	Bowles	20	15	
Margaret	Breach	30	22	10
Thomas	Bradford in trust	24	18	
Elizabeth	Bowman	10	7	10
Mary	Barksdale	5	3	15
Hannah Bella	Biggins	20	15	
Sarah	Betts	6	4	10
Abraham	Bonifield	5	3	15
Maria Bella	Biggins	40	30	
Rachel	Boswell	11	8	5
Isaac	Boddington	5	3	15
Daniel	Bell	6	4	10
Guilelma	Briggins	20	15	
John	Bell	32	24	
Thomas	Boradley	40	30	
Aime	Benson	7	5	5
Messrs	Bridgeman & Warner	20	15	
Matthews	Beachcroft	20	15	
Elizabeth	Ball	2	1	10
Messrs	Buirk & Haggar	3	2	5
John	Bromley	3	2	5
Margaret	Barnes	3	2	5
Elizabeth	Bovington	3	2	5
Christopher	Crell deceased	83	62	5
Thomas	Cowper deceased	40	30	
Elizabeth	Clay	80	60	
John	Clarke	55	41	5
Ann	Chokk	15	11	5
Paul	Crell	40	30	
James	Creed	160	120	
Richard	Collett deceased	50	37	10
John	Crow	10	7	10
Judith	Cant	8	6	
Elizabeth	Crell	30	22	10
Leonard	Chapman	40	30	
Nathanial	Carter	10	7	10
Peter	Collinson	13	9	15
Thomas	Cox	10	7	10
James	Collett Esq	25	18	15
Elias	Collett deceased	20	15	

Susannah	Cook	5	3	15
Messrs	Crellius & Cole	10	7	10
Daniel	Cockerell	7	5	5
Mary	Collet	69	51	15
Timothy	Colston	20	15	
Susanna	Clogie	9	6	15
Capt Const	Cante	11	8	5
Elias	Collett	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Collett	5	3	15
Sarah	Catherall	9	6	15
Nicholas	Carr	10	7	10
Phebe	Corbin	3	2	5
Henry	Cockerell	3	2	5
Josiah	Colvill	1	0	15
Walter	Coleman	2	1	10
Alexander	Crouch	2	1	10
Abraham	Coleman	3	2	5
Capt John	Clarke	3	2	5
Richard	Diamond	60	45	
George	Dowdwell	5	3	15
John	Dorsses	9	6	15
John	Dear	7	5	5
Joseph	Davies	20	15	
Elinor	Davies	50	37	10
Benjamin	De Vinck	40	30	
Mary	Davies	4	3	
Salathiel	Dean	2	1	10
Thomas	Emlin	35	26	5
William	Every	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Eames	5	3	15
Sollom	Emlyn in trust	20	15	
Joseph	Elmer	9	6	15
Sollom	Emlyn	25	18	15
Sarah	Ellis	5	3	15
John	Estaugh	100	75	
William	Emmot	36	27	0
John	Eathorn	5	3	15
John	Ellill	20	15	
Frances	Evans	2	1	10
Enoch	Floyd	80	60	
John	Freame	110	82	10
Nathanial	Ford	88	66	0
Sarah	Fisher	40	30	
Deborah	Fisher deceased	30	22	10
Hannah	Fisher	30	22	10
Joseph	Freame	44	33	

Thomas	Fellows	7	5	5
William	Fell	5	3	15
Joseph	Fookes	10	7	10
William	Foster	100	75	
Jacob	Foster	10	7	10
William	Fletcher	11	8	5
Robert	Fotherby	10	7	10
Timothy	Field	20	15	0
Elizabeth	Fell	8	6	
James	Fisher	1	0	15
Nicholas	Frankland	2	1	10
William	Fletcher	4	3	
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	30	
Thomas	Gould	100	75	
Richard	Gerry	47	35	5
John	Garret deceased	30	22	10
Thomas	Gould Junr	30	22	10
Egbert	Guede	50	37	10
Revd. Benjamin	Grosvenor	20	15	
William	Ginn	56	42	
Joseph	Grove	15	11	5
John	Gallatly junr deceased	20	15	
Nathaniel	Green	20	15	
John	Graham deceased	22	16	10
Messrs	Gould & Larks	50	37	10
Thomas	Glover	10	7	10
Trelucia	Ginn	9	6	15
William	De Gols	10	7	10
Israel	Glover	6	4	10
Thomas	Gordon Esq	50	37	10
John	Gripper	18	13	10
John	Gray	88	66	
Urban	Hall Esq	65	48	15
Benjamin	Hopkins	272	204	0
Thomas	Hale	20	15	
Rev Henry	Holloway	28	21	
John	Holloway deceased	44	33	
Joseph	Hill	111	83	5
Humphrey	Hill	114	85	10
Edward	Hankin	60	45	
John	Howard	5	3	15
Thomas	Harrison	40	30	
John	Hayward	13	9	15
Nicholas	Heather	25	18	15
Hopton	Haynes Esq	23	17	5
James	Horton	33	24	15

John	How	16	12	
Prudence	Hall	17	12	15
Messrs	Huckle & Smith	20	15	
Elizabeth	Hubbard	20	15	
Thomas	Hughes	23	17	5
William	Hegg deceased	19	14	5
George	Haggar	7	5	5
John	Harris	50	37	10
John	Hill	5	3	15
Capt Wm.	Harrison	22	16	10
Adrian	Houser	45	33	15
Jeremiah	Harman	50	37	10
Thomas	Hotchkiss	10	7	10
Richard	Hutcheson	6	4	10
Joseph	Hankey	20	15	
Thomas	Hankey	20	15	
Robert	Harle	4	3	
Joyce	Issod	25	18	15
James	Jamblin deceased	10	7	10
Joseph	Jenkins deceased	17	12	15
Mary	Jackson	17	12	15
Mary	James	10	7	10
Thomas	Isaacks	9	6	15
Mary	Jurin	3	2	5
Mary	Johnson	3	2	5
Mary	Ireland	2	1	10
Thomas	Kirby deceased	49	36	15
John	Knight	55	41	5
William	Kimpton	5	3	15
Joseph	Ketch	5	3	15
James	Kinch	12	9	
Susannah	King	1	0	15
Edward	Leeds	220	165	
Edward	Leeds junr	40	30	
Elizabeth	Leeds	11	8	5
Daniel	Lee deceased	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Lowe	5	3	15
Messrs	Leeds & Hitchcock	25	18	15
Messrs	Leeds & Newbery	33	24	15
Mary	Lee	30	22	10
Richard	Matthews deceased	230	172	10
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48	36	
Nathanael	Matson deceased	120	90	
Mary	Mason deceased	40	30	
Lascells	Metcalf	143	107	5
John	Mucklow	32	24	

Jonathan	Mason deceased	37	27	15
Cornelius	Mason	45	33	15
Lascells	Metcalf junr	15	11	5
Christian	Metcalf	5	3	15
Christian	Metcalf junr deceased	5	3	15
Joseph	Moore	100	75	
Anne	Moore	40	30	
Daniel	Mocher	15	11	5
John Henry	Mertins	21	15	15
Thomas	Merryman	20	15	
Katherine	Merchant	25	18	15
Gilbert	Molleson	50	37	10
Mary	May	10	7	10
Nathaniel	Miers	20	15	
John	Meller	14	10	10
Joseph	Marriot	50	37	10
Thomas	May	4	3	
Anne	Mills	2	1	10
Jane	Maunde	3	2	5
William	Miller	4	3	
Susan	Mackings	1	0	15
John	Newton	5	3	15
Samuel	Noble	20	15	0
William	Nayler	8	6	
Richard	Neave	32	24	
William	Nichols	10	7	10
Anthony	Neateley	10	7	10
William	Ockenden deceased	134	100	10
Thomas	Oades	20	15	
Mary	Ockenden	15	11	5
William	Ockenden	23	17	5
John	Obee	3	2	5
Elizabeth	Ossgood	1	0	15
Mary	Obiston	1	0	15
Clement	Plumsted deceased	10	7	10
John	Peirie deceased	20	15	
Richard	Parks	20	15	
Andrew	Pit	20	15	
Abel	Pearse	15	11	5
William	Purdue	5	3	15
Richard	Pairtree	10	7	10
John	Prudom	16	12	
Robert	Pearce	5	3	15
Ambrose	Page	200	150	0
Isaac	Pickerell	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Plumstead	15	11	5

Isaac	Paulden	7	5	5
John	Pearless	5	3	15
Charles	Pearce	5	3	15
Messrs	Pearce & Scott	10	7	10
Coll	Pilkington Esq	2	1	10
John	Peck	4	3	0
Mary	Pearless	3	2	5
Samuel	Peck	3	2	5
George	Pattison	2	1	10
John	Quait	3	2	5
Michael	Russell	42	31	10
Joseph	Rawbon	20	15	
Thomas	Richardson	17	12	15
Richard	Reynolds	11	8	5
John	Royells	14	10	10
John	Rose	9	6	15
Edward	Richardson	6	4	10
Christopher	Rundle	30	22	10
William	Read deceased	5	3	15
George	Read	10	7	10
Anne	Read deceased	11	8	5
Thomas	Reynolds	5	3	15
James	Richardson	1	0	15
George	Rand	1	0	15
William	Russell	1	0	15
Joshua	Russell	1	0	15
Hannah	Reynolds	1	0	15
Robert	Rand	1	0	15
Richard	Rose	2	1	10
William	Ridge	3	2	5
William	Smith	200	150	0
John	Salter	10	7	10
William	Squire	5	3	15
Jonathan	Scarth	6	4	10
Robert	Street	15	11	5
Rev George	Smith	34	25	10
James	Simonsen	13	9	15
Robert	Sutton	5	3	15
Mary	Saunders	6	4	10
Henry	Sankey	16	12	
Ester	Selwin	12	9	0
Thomas	Smith	22	16	10
Richard	Sheldon	7	5	5
John	Scutt	5	3	15
William	Stevens	25	18	15
Edmund	Stevens	40	30	0

Rev Thomas	Sleigh	8	6	
Messrs Thos & Jno	Smith	8	6	
Samuel	Stanley	5	3	15
Timothy	Squire	5	3	15
William	Stratton	20	15	
Thomas	Skip	7	5	5
Thomas	Stood	8	6	0
Joseph	Sterry	20	15	
Christopher	Smith	2	1	10
Kath	Sherwood	1	0	15
William	Soulley	4	3	
Anne	Springham	2	1	10
Richard	Spence	4	3	
Anne	Scott	2	1	10
James	Simonson junr	3	2	5
John	Tomkins	9	6	15
John	Tatnal	43	32	5
John	Toms	32	24	
Thomas	Thomas	8	6	
William	Tichmarsh	9	6	15
Martin	Tomkins	30	22	10
Rebecca	Toovey	10	7	10
Richard	Taylor	30	22	10
John	Thomson	20	15	
Capt Thomas	Townsend deceased	9	6	15
John	Usher	25	18	15
Kath	Usher	20	15	
Josiah	Vaughan	10	7	10
Arthur	Woolley	116	87	
Abel	Wilkinson	5	3	15
Rev John	Willis	110	82	10
William	Woolley deceased	6	4	10
John	Wall Esq	146	109	10
John	Woolley	54	40	10
John	Wilmer	10	7	10
Simeon	Warner	96	72	0
William	Wright Esq	68	51	
Henry	Wright Esq	42	31	10
James	Ward	61	45	15
James	Wilkinson	110	82	10
Henry	Wilkinson	40	30	
Bryan	Wheelock	30	22	10
Hannah	Ward Horsleydown	10	7	10
Randle	Wilbraham Esq	40	30	
Dorothy	Wyal	23	17	5
Robert	Wickenden	40	30	

Wight	Woolley Esq	100	75	
Anne	Wilkinson	25	18	15
Messrs	Warner & Baker	50	37	10
Edward	Wills	14	10	10
Rev Samuel	Wright	5	3	15
Capt John	Werry	56	42	0
John	Warner	10	7	10
Jane	Wilson	13	9	15
Elizabeth	Wilkinson	5	3	15
Margaret	Williams	5	3	15
Rebecca	Wilcocks	5	3	15
Rachel	Wilcocks	7	5	5
Thomas	Woodward	3	2	5
John	Welles	1	0	15
John	Worrell	2	1	10
James	Whitaker	3	2	5
Judith	Windsor	2	1	10
Aimee	Woodward	2	1	10
Sarah	Wilcocks	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>
		9096	£6,822	

Ordered. That the 30 shares which now remain in the Company's Books in the name of John Clarke and are part of the Company's Maiden Shares be carried from the said Clarkes account to the Company's account of Maiden Shares.

28th January 1729 LLC 6

Michael Marlow took the oath and John Bland signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

4th February 1729 LLC 6

Urban Hall; Esq., being elected Governor took the oath appointed by the Charter in open Court, Mr Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor took the oath before the Governor in open Court, Mr Edward Leeds, Mr Samuel Beachcroft, Mr William Smith, Mr John Toms, John Wall Esq, James Creed Esq., assistants severally took their oaths appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court. Mr Humphrey Hill, Mr Benjamin Hopkins & Mr John Gray, assistants signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter and thereupon all took their places at the Board accordingly.

Thomas Bocking took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

11th February 1729 LLC 6

John Plant signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

18th February 1729 LLC 6

Edward Leeds Esq. Assistant took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

4th March 1729 LLC 6

William Wimpew of Southwark hath offered himself to go down to Gadlis in Wales for to pick clean and Calcine the Lapis Callimenaris and make it merchantable for sale and to be paid at the rate of 15s per week and lodging during his continuance in the Company's service and to have his travelling charges going down defrayed.

18th March 1729 LLC 6

A warrant was given the treasurer to sundry persons for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from 9th January 1728 to 7th January 1729 inclusive.

	£	s	d
Urban Hall Esq		17	5
Mr Enoch Floyd	16	16	3
Dr Edward Wright		10	10
Mr Edward Leeds	14	15	10
Mr William Smith	16	5	10
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	12	10	8
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	15	13	3
John Toms	14	18	3
Arthur Woolley	10	9	7
Edward Leeds Junr	6	10	3
Humphrey Hill	14	5	4
John Wall Esq	10	14	2
James Creed Esq		16	4
	<u>£151</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>

For attendance at the Sub-committee from the 9th January 1728 to the 7th January 1729 inclusive.

	£	s	d
Dr Edward Wright		12	0
Mr Enoch Floyd	22	12	0
Mr Edward Leeds	22	12	0
James Creed	<u>22</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>£68</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>

25th March 1729 LLC 6

_____ Fransham took the oath, & John Baker signed the declaration in lieu of the oaths appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and were thereupon admitted members of this Company.

15th April 1729 LLC 6

Warrant made out to Thomas Stainbank or order £43 10s in discharge of 10 barrels of gunpowder shipped on board Capt Cook for the use of the Company's works in Gadlis.

Kath Spearing took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and was thereupon admitted a member of this Company.

22nd April 1729 LLC 6

John Rawlinson & John Worrell took the oath and John Grover signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and were thereupon admitted members of this Company.

6th May 1729 LLC 6

Whereas our Chief Agent in Flintshire Thomas Barker hath in several of his letters lately represented to us the scarcity of Corn and the hardships the poor miners, smelters and others

were under by the advanced price thereof and that if they were not speedily supplied he should be obliged to raise their wages to allay their great complaints and keep them quiet being at the same time sensible how difficult it will be for us to reduce their advanced wages hereafter, to prevent which inconveniences we think it is for the interest of the Company and will redound much to their reputation to send them a supply of Corn from hence being much cheaper than at their market.

Therefore we desire the treasurer that he will give orders for the hiring of a vessel about 60 Tons and for the buying of about 400 Quarters of Corn viz.

280 Quarters of Barley, 80 Quarters of Wheat, and 80 Quarters of Oats, for the relief of the miners, smelters and others who are employed in our several works there.

James Creed Esq., having at the request of the Court some time since conferred with James Douglas Esq., about agreeing the difference between this Company & R. Wightman & Company concerning the time of their working in the “Strait Step Vein”, to put an end to the said difference. This Court does agree they may work in the “Strait Step Vein” till the first of July next and no longer, and for confirming the same & preventing any further difference or dispute that may happen concerning the time limited of working the afore said vein, we do desire James Creed Esq., on our behalf to sign a paper for that purpose and to exchange the same for one signed by James Douglas Esq., on behalf of the Friendly Mining Society of Edinburgh.

13th May 1729 LLC 6

The secretary reported that the treasurer had according to order of last Court hired a vessel about 60 tons and loaded the same with Corn as proportioned amount to £522 17s

Wheat	£53	15s	
	£34	7s	9d
	£18	19s	0d
	£10	5s	0d
	£64	2s	6d
Barley	£213	10s	9d
	£40	3s	0d
Oats	£62	5s	0d
Total	£497	8s	0d
Actual quantity 407 Quarters one eighth			
Cost with transport	£523	13s	
Less 16s returned by Mr Stevens'	£522	17s	

20th May 1729 LLC 6

Robert Fotherby took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and was thereupon admitted a member of this Company.

3rd June 1729 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weights of 3 ingots of silver, 172 lb. 0 oz 17 pw 15 gr. Standard. Value £533 8s 1d.

17th June 1729 LLC 6

According to the desire of the Court of the 6th let as appears by the minutes of that day, James Creed, & John Wall Esq. Mr William Smith & Mr John Toms hath been to visit the Company's works in Wales and of which they make the following report.

We set out from London on Monday 12th May 1729 and on Saturday following the 17th in the evening reached Gadlis having had a good pleasant journey the road in general being tolerably good.

The Monday following we particularly viewed the Cupola or workhouse which are all in very good order and repair the Country not being quite so honest as formerly they are building a

brick wall behind the workhouse to enclose a yard for securing the coals. But we observe the Lease has only about 15 years to come, and considering the great value of the buildings erected and other improvements made its our opinion a renewal should be endeavoured at which we desired Mr Barker to sound our Landlord Mr Hughes about and write the Company what he says. Our stay at Gadlis was till Friday the 30th May the fore part of which time we were fully employed in considering with Abraham Watson and James Griffiths (whom we found at Gadlis)

The Irish affair at the Silver Mines which we cannot better give an account of than by transcribing Abraham Watson's report to us which is as follows:

Gadlis May 20th 1729

Kind Masters

In three weeks observation in inspecting affairs in and about the Silver Mines, it appears that frugal management has been much wanting R Spencer's weak temper and incapacity to keep accounts gave self seeking folks, especially William Gilstrap, opportunity not only to get into the knowledge but even direction of all affairs, which in course of his way of keeping a tippling house brought the workers to high rates for want of fair and equal encouragement to workmen without respect. William Barkers endeavour to alter these measures and lower rates seems to have been craftily evaded and made ineffectual by Gilstrap's party, and Spencer's not joining with him which he ought quickly to have laid before the Company according to his brothers advice, the neglect of this and going into unnecessary alterations about the Smelting house gave them strength to oppose everything he did or proposed, except the improvement he made in the shot making. As to the mines in general I am persuaded by careful conduct they may turn to good account: though the soles, so far as can be seen, appears much short of what has been said of them, the Level is now in favourable ground and goes well on by the 3 shifts at 17/6 per fathom, hope and reasonable time and charge will bring it up to drain the vein effectually. In the meantime (according to the enclosed proposals) to avoid further unnecessary charges, I thought fit to alter their management and turn off all wage work, except two timbermen to keep the works in repair, all the rest of the miners being upwards of 80, are employed in raising ore, to be delivered in lead at several rates from eight to ten pounds per tun, that lead unrefined one part with another at the smelting house is well worth £20 per tun. The smith's work, is now worked by two instead of four formerly employed, building is also laid off, and the charges of shot and sheet lead making too, till further consideration. Gilstrap upon trial proves a skilful refiner of the lead of the work, but in everything else (for the reasons above) undeserving any employment. agreeable to alterations in the management instructions are left with R Spencer to proceed, and the enclosed in the meantime submitted to your consideration for the future carrying on the works with less expense and to better purpose. Its plain that if this management had been according to what I see in Thomas Barkers reported directions they had been much in the same method in mining herein proposed.

I am your obliged servant

Abraham Watson

As there seems to be an easy way to free the work folks from dear farming by taking at reasonable rates in the neighbourhood, thought fit not to dispute that with the Colonel choosing rather to keep smooth with him who in his capacity may be assisting and serviceable to your affairs in that country.

Seeing Joseph Sidebotham has much imposed on you several wages, makes it needful to think of another (viz. Samuel Watson Merchant in Dublin, a man of stock and character who will supply at a half percent instead of 2 percent paid Joseph Sidebotham and will sell your lead at common commission which will save you at least 10 percent in sales of lead of what has by dealing with Joseph Sidebotham.

NB The level is brought up about 271 fathom on a straight line above ground but is much more in length following their course of driving under it now wants of Sams shaft about 175 fathoms, but may reach the vein at about 140 fathom driving. They drive at present near 31/2 fathom per week.

So suppose for rock to be met with in their course of driving 40 fathoms at 60s per day is £120 at 1 fathom per week 40 weeks.

Suppose more favourable ground in their course of driving 135 fathoms at 20s per day £135 at 31/2 per week 40 weeks. Suppose sinking shaft at 100: at lowest supposition of charge and time in workmanship £355: and weeks 80.

The said level will gain below the jumble about 16 fathoms.

Proposals for regulating the management of the Silver Mines April 30 1729 that every workman, according to his merit, without respect to any be equally encouraged at reasonable rates per Tun or per fathom and that all be obliged to make good and answer the value of work tools delivered to them by number or weight, in order to prevent waste.

That wage work be avoided as much as possible and that R Spencer take in and keep an exact account of all wage work, metals, materials and things at Mines, smelting and refining, himself till further advised.

That every part of the mines underground and the wastes above that can be wrought per tun be set and kept to works and dead work shunned except the low level, which for haste ought to be pushed vigorously day and night.

That the smith's deliver no new work tools to any without the agents order who are to keep a just account of the same.

That the old Mill be reformed and turned to a smelting hearth in the East end and a refinery in the West end, both wrought by the same waterpower.

That William Barkers Air Furnace stand, as it now is in the new repaired house for smelting the Blew ore.

That the North end of the said new repaired house and the loft over the sheet lead house and all other spare room be turned to storehouses for turf.

That the Low Mill house continue mill and smithy, as it now is till further considered.

That all buildings in and about the mills and refining be entirely superseded, how soon the old mill is reformed.

That sheet lead and shot making be entirely left off till the company be apprised of the great loss and abuse they have suffered thereby and give suitable instructions how to guard against the like in time to come.

That the two refiners go on jointly to work of the stock of lead on hand, to be seasonably ready for the market, every operation to answer the Assay.

That all common labourers be first paid what's due to them from the Bargainers before the said Bargainers take off their money, in order to maintain justice and prevent clamour.

Mr Griffiths well approved of the account given by Abraham Watson and of the orders he left an on Tuesday the 20th he left us to return home. Mr Thomas Barker though much out of order by his late indisposition with the sore throat and gout attended us to the several mines and Abraham Watson continuing with us we got him to go down several as particularly Maeslygan, Trelogan, and the new trials in Sir Roger Mostyns Liberty, Pant y pwl Dwr, Moel y Crio, Old Rake and Silver Rake, the most just and perfect account of the state of the mines under Mr Barkers care we cannot better represent than by his reporting of them to us which was as follows. Abraham Watson was down those mines against which is Abraham Watson and read and approved the following reports of them. Viz.

Abraham Watson.

Maeslygan is now 100 yards deep and yet have all the reason in the world to believe it only wants depth to show its richness (what we have now got and are now getting being only from

the upper level of the great vein above us in Hughes and Mr Wynn lands) it has been very hard and its hardness is occasioned by the great cover of rock. It has gained by its Dip though for the depth, which the said upper level has carried, the ore has been strong. How this upper level may prove further Eastward, and therefore more on the Dip, cannot be determined? As to the lower level to our great disappointment the water at present hinders us from working it but by what we have seen viz. the great shack just at the top of it and full below if deadening between the upper and lower setts the said shack and deadening and the kind soil and calamine plainly show that it is the same vein as Hughes. In our soles we just came to a Ribb of ore a foot thick which offered to mend being plumb on the Sun side and hading to the North on the North side which gives us reason to believe we were just cutting into the strong, Bellies of which Hughes field has afforded so many that they have already weighed off £79,690 worth of ore as by the Stewards account on the other side.

And as our vein at Soles is a very strong and large one we cannot but expect it will prove extraordinarily good in less than 20 yards sinking. This when the water falls that shall be done and may hope this Summer will be sufficient to convince us that it is of the same family with the great works. We are at a loss what to say further of it after so many disappointments ever since it was begun.

Account of ore got in David Hughes land with the amount charges in profits and charges thereon from the beginning to Lady day 1729 of the ore raising this calculation.

Round Tuns cwt	Small Tuns cwt	Waste Tuns cwt	Amount of the Ore	Charges in Raising Ore	Profits by this Calculation
4606 11	5868	420 8	£79690 9s 6d	£11812 3s 7½d	£67875 5s 10½d
Total 10894 tuns 19 cwt					

Sir Richard Grosvenor Leases
Abraham Watson

Silver Rake, We have tried the vein 60 yards deep but it has not proved well. Are now trying the flat about 15 yards to the North of the vein which is 25 yards deep to the rock but the rock rises fast to the North so as to be but 15 yards from the surface where the rock lies flat and here we have very fine flat ore. This is let from Ladyday to Midsummer at £3 per Tun and believe they will raise 10 Tuns this quarter though they are much straightened for wind and their ways very inconvenient. We design to have a shaft down against Midsummer that no time may be lost and doubt not shall raise more ore there next quarter and at a much less rate.

Abraham Watson

Llwyn Cwm came to the vein at 22 yards deep, its 2 yards wide and we have sunk about 3 yards within the 2 firm sides and have fine lumps of ore and kindly soils but it is a very heavy work and sorely watered but very well worth a vigorous trial, as soon as the water goes off.

Pant y Pwll Dwr near 3 years ago was let a bargain of 4 meers on this rake at £3 per Tun for the first 50 Tuns and 55s for all the ore afterwards during our term and obliged the bargainers in consideration of the said rate to sink an engine pit 60 yards deep at their own expense and to carry a level from the bottom of it through the 4 meers and that we should have liberty of the shaft and level for carrying on the work at each end of the said 4 Meers. This dead work bargainers punctually completed about 3 months ago: have since been working under level and there is now very good bouse work in driving out at the bottom of 2 of their sumps and in another sump which is the deepest there is a solid Rib of ore 1/2 yard thick. To the west of the 4 meers have driven from the engine foot 20 yards and at 12 yards from the engine sunk about 12 yards plumb and in a vein a yard wide both sides very firm have ore about a foot thick. The rest of the vein being kindly soil and spar. But this work and the 4 meers require that the

engine shaft should be sunk at least 12 yards deeper as well for bettering their wind as drawing their water.

On the East end of the 4 meers at 60 yards deep have fine ore 6 or 7 inches thick which stands hard but as we are under the old man and as in the 4 meers have such good ore which considering the rising of the ground East, is 20 below the ore we have here. We hope in sinking the said 20 yards the ore will mend and the vein widen and be softer and yield well in sinking.

At the East end of this rake on the fall of the mountain East to the enclosures the vein has been shattered to pieces by prodigious shacks we have however raised well of ore in several of its strings have now 2 bargains in two strings at £3 10s each and within 3 weeks past have raised near 2 Tuns at 14 yards deep in sinking a shaft 69 yards in a new string which is 6 inches thick and expect still another string to the North which they are raising very good at, in the enclosure below us.

On the whole we do apprehend this rake is very valuable and that it will in all probability turn out a great deal more than 1000 Tuns of ore. But our misfortune is that our present lease expires in June 1731.

Pen y Ffordd Newydd have just set a bargain to get ore in 2 meers or ground at 40s per Tun or if hard at 45s.

Abraham Watson

Old Rake. We have 2 bargains at 50s per tun each on the flat which has proved a very rich one, and still raises very well of ore and will probably continue so to do for a considerable time. How long cannot fix flats being very uncertain, have raised here from Ladyday 1728 to December 1729 about 260 Tuns.

On the West end have lately set a bargain for one year at £3 per Tun for first 20 Tuns and 40s per Tun afterwards. The bargainers being obliged to sink a shaft. There is also another bargain at the East End at £3 just set on.

Abraham Watson

Moel y crio. Whether this be a rake or a pipe is yet uncertain though have wrought it several years the swallows which are very frequent in this work occasion this uncertainty at present it rather seems a rake having ore 10 inches thick in the east forefield setting rake way. This ore is set at 35s per Tun.

At which rate have another bargain at a higher level on as good ore as the nose of a swallow about 25 yards to the south, have a skreen which is let at £3 10s per Tun. How this will hold in, we cannot say, but we are sure its now as likely to produce as it was at Ladyday 1728 this yielded 270 Tuns of ore from that time to Ladyday past.

Sir Pyers Mostyns Lease

Holway. On the north side of our old workings there is discovered in the highway a very large vein near 8 foot wide which points directly on us and within 8 yards of our hedge at 38 yards deep besides this vein they have also on the highway 2 strings still more north from whence we have hopes that the old vein, viz Partridges vein for the discovery of which the company about 16 years ago laid out a great deal of money, lies on the north side of our old workings The ore in the highway some places was a foot thick sticking to the sun side, the rest of the vein spar and calamine like the said old vein. It also dips east as the other veins do: in our ground this vein proves lidded with a very hard and thick rock have therefore obtained leave to drive from the highway in this vein to try our ground which hope shall be able to do at a moderate charge and in a short time and yet the Calamine we raise will be a good help towards

the expense. How the water will prove we know not fear badly or else should allow this the likeliest trial the company have. We set one bargain in a hard skrin in the old works at 50s or if a hard bargain at 55s which we hope will raise 5 or 6 Tuns this Summer it being too much watered to work at in the Winter.

Grange. Set a bargain at Ladyday to pick a Skrin till Michaelmas at £3 10s per Tun from which have but slender expectations have raised a little more than a Tun.

Thomas Ellis & Sons Leases

At about 15 yards deep had some fine piece of ore and spar are now about 40 yards and have Chirts which hade to the sun and may we hope form a sun side in sinking, but are afraid shall be overpowered with water.

Sir Roger Mostyns Lease

Abraham Watson

Pentre Ffynnon. A new trial sunk 18 yards to the rock in driving about 1 yard we came to a vein about 3/4 a yard wide has 2 firm sides in which have sunk 3 yards and have very likely spar and loose Chirts but no ore as yet however we believe it a very hopeful trial.

Bwlch. Another new trial about 200 yards west of the former sunk 28 yards deep directly on a vein but not settled, the rocks on each side our shaft appear strong at the day and yet our sinking proved very favourable and we have black Jack which is an attendant on ore at Trelogan (which is not half a mile west of this place) and several other good veins in the country so believe this also is a very hopeful trial.

Bryndigree. A work very sore watered but in very dry Summers may be wrought at £3 per Tun and the charges of setting it to work are about £20 to draw the dead water.

Carreg alias Windmill Field. Is also watered and only workable in Summers. We are about at the top of the vein and got about 8 Tun of very fine ore which lay in loose lumps and left good lumps in the soles which deserve a vigorous trial as soon as the water leaves them.

On the West end of Partridges Grant have a great deal of Calamine but the farm not yet settled with Sir Roger being by lease to pay £1 1s 6d per Tun for lead ore, £2 3s for Copper ore and so in proportion for any metal or mineral of a greater or less value.

The profits from Michaelmas 1728 to Ladyday 1729 amounts to £620 15s 1¼d at Prestatin. Ore produced 225 tons 6 cwt

Abraham Watson

We have hopes according to present appearance that we shall hold near to this produce at Trelogan till the level is at the vein the reason of our taking these 2 Quarters only is because our working the vein for near a year before was hindered by a breach in the upper level. If this shale we now have holds in, which there is reason to expect, we believe shall reach the bearing rock in 4 years time and this work which maybe about 500 yards we believe will be done for £2000 - when the level reaches the rock we hope to cut the main vein and that the level will be brought up from thence to the great works above the engine to great profit and when there may reasonable expect for many years will turn out about £5,000 per annum.

If the shale should unexpectedly cut out the rock or quick sand come in the circumstances in such cases are so many and so different that we cannot tell what longer time or what greater expenses may be required.

At a mile Westward at a place called Vownog (or Walwen) in the same grant we have a string wrought and the ore made merchantable at £5 per Tun the 2 workmen just get wages by it and the company a little profit but cannot expect this will hold long.

When the gentlemen of the company were here in August 1725 (J Barker) I discoursed them fully about the depth level at Trelogan when they were on the spot and was ordered to prepare for it as soon as I could get hands being very scarce and sickly we did not set on it till All Saints 1725 or thereabouts.

From November 1, 1725 to this 28 day of May 1729	Yards
notwithstanding Several disappointments unexpected	
we have driven about	420
From our present forefield to the place where we expect the	
vein rock is	570
From thence to the engine shaft which we hope will be all the	
way in the vein	200
The whole length of the level from the mouth to the engine	
shaft now at Trelogan	1190

Llanfrothen alias Lady Owens & Sons Lease in Merionethshire

On the face of a rock ore appeared 3 fingers thick quite cutting through the grain of the stone and yet the range seem regular as a vein in this manner it had been wrought in 3 holes 7 or 8 yards deep when I took it which was sore watered, there was also a plain break as of a large vein for 600 yards length and the old hillocks seemed to have very good waste in them about 300 yards east on lower ground there was a plain appearance of a vein soft and dead except 2 or 3 pieces of ore. The reason for taking it was that all the ore appeared to break so strong through the rock and there being such a plain break of a vein for so great a length it might prove the pride of a great vein under it which tis thought was lidded by the solid rock and the plain appearance of a vein so near it increased our hopes. We have several times had fine strings of ore running always in the rock and lately came to a plain Scrinny Cross but the whole work is very hard and has not yet answered expectations. The farm is very encouraging but if in a little more trial it does not mend we shall not think proper to carry it on any farther. The other soft vein west tried several yards within the rock and its twitcht out.

Shropshire - Sir John Astleys and all on the common called Neither Heath.

This is a very large Lordship and 3 pretty good veins have been discovered, in the neighbourhood, which 2 are within half a mile of our Grant and point into it. We have trencht a great deal for the discovery of those veins cross the randoms of them but have not yet been able to pick either of them but have discovered several very large strong veins of heavy spar (of which we sent up to London) and one string of ore at which got 5 tun or 6 tun weight and then it proving hard and wet we left it off. There were three or four other veins near this but found they did not prove kindly in the hills and therefore traced them into.

St John Astley's Lease of Enclosed Lands at Neither Heath.

And here in sinking 10 yards and driving 3 yards cross came to a very fine rib of ore lying in shale from 2 to 6 inches thick. We also by trenching discovered several other leaders and all of them carried some piece of ore have now on the bank from those leaders between 7 and 8 Tuns, but all that side of the hill being full of water an in many other respects very like the greatest of the veins this way called Penely (out of which alone within a year past they have raised between 2 and 300 Tuns and which is now very good). We have thought proper to begin a level which in 340 yards of the length will gain 50 yards and make a full effectual trial of all these fine strings and of others we expect to meet with in the bottom before we reach the range of these.

Thomas Barker takes this to be a very hopeful trial and believes this level will be shale and nowhere hard till vein come in.

Mr Hugh Jones's Lease at Weston.

On the very top of a hill a little more than 100 yards from our boundaries and directly pointing on us last Summer was discovered a very likely vein at the surface which was 1/2 a yard wide and had 2 fine sides when T Barker was over about this lease. The partners on the Common (whose names he thinks are Moore, Roe, and Blackmore) had sunk but 10 yards and driven about 10 and then had raised 5 Tuns of ore and they had also at that time on the back of the hill which falls faster than the side towards us, discovered a leader of the same vein in the bottom which he thought very encouraging and therefore took his grant. We have picked 2 or 3 veins by trenching here, but being watered have set on a short level which in 40 yard lengths will gain 12 yards and this we hope will be sufficient to take off the day water to make trial of the vein discovered. We have driven 30 yards of this 40 already so hope this Summer may complete the trial here.

The partners on the Common land sunk their work about 5 yards deeper and have raised at least 12 Tuns more but the ore cutting out, though the vein holds from a foot to 1/2 yard wide all filled with vein soil and very likely they at present let it stand which is a misfortune to us.

Calamine

As to the Calamine article for which W Wimpew was lately sent down from London he finds it not so good as was expected and has not picked six Tuns at Trelogan where T Barker hoped for several 100 Tuns because Barrow (Partridges man) and others have often endeavoured to take this Calamine from him. We cannot say are well satisfied that no more can be saved there however as the farm of the calamine on Sir Rogers Mostyns Lease (which being the same vein as Partridge's is allowed to be very good) cannot yet be settled. T Barker took care he should see the other mines of the country and as he found very good on my Lord Plymouths Estate about 3 or 4 miles beyond Trelogan he T Barker has obtained a lease thereof at 10/- per Tun (which is the lowest any is set at this way) T Wimpew is now working there and says it will answer very well and yield several 100 Tuns of very good Calamine.

The Coalworks.

We also viewed the company's coalworks, which Mr Barker gave the following account: The new coalwork on the new grant from Thomas Messham is very strong and a very good coal. Abraham Watson was down it and thinks its very valuable. Have reason to expect if it continues as it at present appears that it will save the company near £2000 in 5 or 6 years time. Besides this in Mr Lloyds land Mr Messhams old grant and Mr Pattons we hope may have between 5 or 6000 Tuns of coals to get on the rise of the coals and above the level so that (As we shall then let our engine stand) believe Farm and all expense will very little exceed 2/6d per Tun and worse coal (which the other smelters are supplied with) at greater distance from our workhouse would stand us in 7s per Tun at the Pit and the differences in the carriage from our own pits to what the carriage would cost us from this other coalworks may be from 2/- to 4/- per Tun more in our favour.

We desired Mr Barker his account currently with the company from Christmas 1724 but found it was not perfected. He promises to send the same up by Michaelmas next. His excuse to us was that he was extremely troubled that the old accounts are not yet balanced the greatest neglect first happened that year Mr Hopes several leases were taken which he presumes the court are satisfied took up a great deal of his time as did also the extraordinary case of those works occasioned by the unexpected disappointments ever since. He hath also had a great many journeys and a great deal of sickness. All these and the necessary care of managing all the rest of the concern quite put it out of his power to mind anything of the money which he therefore entirely trusted to Anthony who has been very negligent of putting it down in the proper books which now give us a great deal more trouble to set it to rights then would have first have done it. Though till Mr Blondel showed him neither he, Anthony Barker, Thomas Barker were capable of doing it after the manner of Merchant Accounts. Anthony has nothing

to allege in excuse but that on the change of the workhouse clerks and particularly the death of John Sharp the workhouse accounts were wholly on him as they have also been ever since Mr Blondel came hither till very lately his Brother William assisted in them that besides Thomas Barker was sick or abroad.

He was also much hindered so could not forward those old neglected accounts so as to have any balance ready at this time, but having picked out and examined the Ore and Lead accounts and got several other articles forwards and his Brother William helping in the care of the workhouse they are fully determined to make an absolute balance if it please god they live by Michaelmas next. They are heartily sorry and humbly beg the Companys pardon that they are not now done but hope no damage will happen to them because they expect the balance will be considerably in their favour not having received money for several parcels of ore delivered the company from their own works as the present state of the workhouse accounts and the mines and coalworks as methodised by Mr Blondel he hopes it is to the company's satisfaction. We looked into the accounts kept by Mr Blondel

By Lady Day 1728 by which it appears the profits at the workhouse	
to Lady Day 1729 was	£4479 16s 8¾d
The profits of the mines excepting some expenses on trial	
for the said time appears to have been	<u>£1213 7s 9¾d</u>
per annum Total	<u>£5693 4s 6½d</u>

And for the succeeding year we hope by the account above of the mines a much larger profit may be expected. And considering the continued advance on the price of Lead we think there is no room to doubt but the profit of the workhouse will for the ensuing year be much increased.

We fully discoursed Abraham Watson concerning he company's affairs under his care and management in the North of England and Scotland and by his information it appears that they have been for some years past very expensive on account of erecting engines, clearing waygates, sinking shafts etc. But he thinks now they may be expected to turn out to very good advantage and gave us the following estimate of what he expects they will be capable of raising for one year from the 1st May 1728 to the 1st May 1729.

An estimation of the charges and produce of the Governor & Company, their Lead Mines in the North in the Management of Abraham Watson as Considered in their present state viz from the first of May 1729 to the first of May 1730.

	Bings	Costs	Income	Profit
Sildon wrought at a medium rate between 18s to 28s				
per Tun, may be supposed to raise in 12 months at if	600	£660		
medium 22s Dead work and incident charges at that time		275	935	
that 600 Bings of ore worth £3 10s per Bing but when the				
duty 1/7 is deducted there remains only £3 per Bing				
amount to			1,800	865
Jeffry's Grove wrought at a medium rate between 25s &				
35s per Bing may raise in 12 months at the medium rate				
of 28s per Bing about	500	700		
A level now a Driving up & other charges in bringing				
the works to better bearing against next year		550	1,250	
that 500 Bings worth £3 17s 6d per Bing the Duty				
1/5 in lead being deducted there remains £3 per Bing				
amounts to			1,500	250
Wanlockhead at medium rate between 12s to 20s per				
Bing may raise in 12 months at the rate of 17s per Bing	460	391		

Dead work & incident charges in the time		370	761	
that 460 Bings worth £3 per Bing deducting the duty 1/6				
there remains to the Company only £2 10s per Bing			<u>1,150</u>	389
Blagill wrought at the medium rate of 26s per Bing				
may raise	160	208		
Dead work & incident charges in 12 months		<u>115</u>	323	
That ore worth to the Company only 45s per Bing				
when duty one fifth is paid			360	37
The Way Gate at Clargillhead, Covertfold, & Tyne				
Green not yet being finished since the commencement				
of Hodgsons lease may cost in this years working & rent		400		
ore in that time supposed	110			
at 58s per Bing worth		319		
The Gov & Co 5/16 of Thortergill & 5/48 of Brownhillmos				
Groves in partnership with Esq. Rogers in Newcastle may				
seem to amount to about				<u>35</u>
Supposed Being in all	1,830	4,669		1,576
But when the £81 loss by Tynehead is deduced				<u>81</u>
the remains come to				£1,495
By computation of the produce of Smelting &				
refining these ores at the above rates valuing				
the lead at £13 10s & £13 5s per 20 cwt at the several				
smelting works amounts to on the other side				<u>£254 1s 3d</u>
This estimation so near as I could at this time place guess			In All	<u>£1749 1s 3d</u>
made to thee the state of the Companys mines in my				
Charge, Gadlis May 30th, 1729 Abraham Watson.				

Shildon ore being of different sorts commonly 20 cwt of ore yields from 10 to 12 cwt of lead and silver from 16 to 18 ounces per Tun

Jeffry's Groves ore 20 cwt yields from 11 to 14 cwt of lead from 16 to 22 ounces and some near 26 ounces per Tun.

Wanlockhead ore 20 cwt yields from 11 to 13 cwt of lead, which holds silver from 9 to 13 ounces per Tun.

Blagill ore 20 cwt yields from 12 to 13 cwt of leads and holds in silver from 8 to 9 ounces per Tun.

Tynegreen & Covertfold much the same to that.

Clargill lead ore is poor to lead and yields silver upwards of 34 ounces per Tun.

A Computation of Smelting and Refining

	£	s	d	£	s	d
Shildon 20 cwt of ore to 11 cwt 2 qtrs. of lead loss in refining						
1 cwt 1 qtr remains 10cwt 1qtr @ 13s 6d per cwt	6	18	4 1/2			
Silver 9 1/2 ounces worth 5s 8d per ounce	<u>2</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>10</u>			
	9	12	2 1/2			
Charge of Smelting and Refining		<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>			
	9	1	8 1/2			
		8				
The 20 cwt of ore	<u>8</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>0</u>			
Profit		6	8 1/2			

Which on 600 Bings of ore being 240 Tuns yielding						
132 Tuns of lead @ 13s 6d				83		6
Jeffrey's 20 cwt of ore to 12 cwt 2 qtrs. of lead loss in refining						
1 cwt 1 qtr remainder 11 cwt 1 qtr @ 13s 6d	7	11	10 1/2			
silver 10 1/2 ounces at 5s 8d per ounce	<u>2</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>6</u>			
	10	11	4 1/2			
Smelting and Refining		<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>			
	10	0	9 1/2			
20 cwt of ore worth	<u>9</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>9</u>			
Profit	0	6	1/2			
(Carriage of ore 11s 2d per Ton)						
Which on 500 Bings of ore being 200 Tuns makes lead at 12s 1d				68	7	5
Wanlockhead 20 cwt to 11 cwt 1 qtr lead						
Loss in refining 1 cwt 1 qtr						
10 cwt at 13s 6d per qtr worth	6	15	0			
silver 5 1/2 ounces at 5s 8d per ounce worth	<u>1</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>			
	8	5	8			
Smelting and refining		<u>11</u>	<u>0</u>			
	7	14	8			
The 20 cwt ore valued	<u>7</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>0</u>			
Profit		<u>4</u>	<u>8</u>			
460 Bings of ore 184 Tuns yields 92 Tuns reduced lead at 9s 4d per Tun				42	18	8
Blagill ore 20 cwt to 11 cwt of lead						
Loss in refining 1 cwt						
10 cwt at 13s 3d per cwt	6	12	6			
silver 4 ounces at 5s 8d per ounce	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>8</u>			
	7	15	2			
Smelting and refining		<u>11</u>	<u>6</u>			
	7	3	8			
20 cwt of ore worth	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>			
Profit		<u>18</u>	<u>8</u>			
160 Bings of ore being 64 Tuns yields 32 Tuns reduced lead						
at £1 17s 4d per Tun				<u>59</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>8</u>
				<u>£254</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>

And this further comfort he adds that that thinks them like to prove lasting good works and more likely to improve then grow worse and therefore thinks it well worth the company's while to become purchasers of the Royalty of Blanchland which he does think will be dear at the price given to the Government being £6,700, and the sooner anything is done in such purchase he apprehends the better by reason what makes Mr Ware inclinable to sell is as he imagines the disappointments he has met which on account of the works while bring into their present order having turned out little to him for duty.

Whereas when he shall come to reap the benefit of future duties now the works are in order he expects he will not be so easily dealt with. His opinion is that the value of the duty ore and lead will be to Mr Ware from £400 to £800 per annum and thinks the mines may last ages.

On Thursday the 29th May, we had the usual visits of several gentlemen of the country who all heartily wish the Company success in their several undertakings, expressing a great esteem for them on account of their experienced benefit and the country in general, and all expressed a great friendship for Mr Barker's family and in particular a good opinion of Mr Thomas Barker's integrity and understanding in the business he is employed in by the company, at which time Mr Barker being much concerned on account of the scandalous reflections made on him by John Heylin some time since clerk at Gadlis workhouse (who likewise spoke very abusively of the company) which Mr James Griffiths told him of when there with us being (as to Thomas Barker) to this purpose viz that the works which he Mr Barker calls his own ought to belong to, and were designed and taken for the company &c.

And the ore he delivers from those works to the company is not worth above 40s per Tun which he charges £7 at least to the company for it seems the said Heylin now lives in the neighbourhood of Mr Griffiths, but as Mr James Griffiths informed us has a very mean character in so much that scarce any of the neighbourhood will converse with him. On inquiring into this matter (for which we had very little time) what we were informed was:

That the profitable works of which Thomas Barker has share, are Coeddu and Rhydymwyn (both in one partnership) and Llynhir and Quitraforth. Besides these he has shares in Tallyma 1/6 Quainy glace 1/4 Pant y Pwll Dwr 1/8 Cohitford 1/8 and Crecaer about 1/3 Cornellwyd 1/2. But these last we are assured are dead ventures.

As to Coeddu and Rhydymwyn, the partners are Nehe Griffiths Esq., Mr Jonathan Robinson and Thomas Marker and his brother and sisters in right of this father, Mr Nehem Griffiths was with us at Gadlis and particularly remembered.

The negotiating of the lease with a great many circumstances and does not question by that Mr Wynn of Tower a neighbour of his who advised the letting of the lease to Thomas Barker in his private capacity remembers the same being with him at Gadlis about it and by the execution of the lease and especially that his mother before the execution asked Thomas Barker whether he designed this lease for his own account for they would have nothing to do with any strangers whatsoever and that Thomas Barker directly answered he intended it on his own account and that her son and Mr Jonathan Robinson were to be partners with him.

Mr Griffiths also remembers that Thomas Barker having sold Mrs Key of Holywell while the lease was drawing she might have a quarter with him that his mother absolutely refused to sign unless Thomas Barker engaged to keep above half the lease in his own hands and that thereupon Thomas Barker did engage accordingly but desired Mr Griffith to write a line to satisfy Mrs Key that he could not comply with his promise to her which Mr Griffith remembers what he writ was to that effect, and told us he would if required make Affidavit, that from the beginning to this time he never heard one word of the company mentioned as having any concern in the work, but that he all along believed the right of it to be in Thomas Barker and his family only and that he supposes had the company been anyways concerned he should have heard of it, the works being dead and on great expense about six years. Copy of the paper above mentioned.

This may certify whom it may concern that before the executing of the lease of lead mines at Coeddu to Mr Barker it was expressly agreed that he was to keep in his own hands above the one half of works to the end the sole management of the same might be in him, as witness my hand for my self and mother. Neh Griffith

As to Llynhir Mr John Wynn who was also with us at Gadlis remembers that his uncle Mr William Hughes gave him 1/8 of it about 14 years ago which he held in partnership with Mr Patton, Mr Gerrard Parker and Thomas Barker and some others that his uncle told him several

times that it was Thomas Barker's own venture as a young beginner and he thought that Mr John Wynn continued his share in it about 4 years in all which time it did nothing at all but he all along believed it to be Thomas Barker's own and heard the same from the rest of the partners that then he being advised by John Powell who had before sold 1/12 to Thomas Barker which John Wynn knew very well Thomas Barker bought to be equally divided between him and his friends Paul Patton and Gerard Parker to sell out his 1/8. Also he discoursed Thomas Barker about it and Thomas Barker the work being very poor offered either to buy or sell and desired J Wynn to put a price which he did and Thomas Barker gave him £10 for it and told him he designed it if it came to profit for his sister Anne and from the beginning of this time Mr Wynn declared he never heard one word of the company being at all concerned in it.

As to Quitraford, Mr John Wynn knows it to be next field to Mount Egree in which Thomas Edwards of Brinford Esq. his uncle William Hughes and Anthony Barkers Snr had each 1/3 which mount John Wynn very well knows to be wrought by the said Anthony Barker on his own account as well from his uncle as from Mr Edwards but this is wrought out and he also knows that as to Quitraford Mr Edwards set it to Anthony Barker on his own private account and when it came to profit after several years hard trial Anthony Barker gave this Mr Wynn £10 per annum to look after it and told him it was entirely his own and he would not have the Companys affairs suffer by any one of their agents looking after it.

As to the 1/8 at Whitford, Mr John Wynn has been agent from the beginning knows very well Thomas Barker would have taken the whole grant for the company but that Capt Pennant and several other Gentlemen were resolved to venture themselves and out of friendship offered Thomas Barker 1/8 if he would take it on his own private account and Mr John Wynn was by then Thomas Barker told the Gentlemen he would go 1/8 with them, and Mr Wynn told us that to the best of his knowledge or what he had heard Thomas Barker had never called at the work above 6 or 8 times from the beginning which was above 4 years ago.

Mr John Wynn also knows as agent to Mr Edwards that the ore which comes from Thomas Barker's works is as well dressed and taken care of as any ore whatsoever. That he has often heard Thomas Barker's partners complain that he did not give as much as they could have from the other smelters and that Thomas Barker was always the last in raising the price of Esq. Edwards and other ore which JW has sold.

Mr Thomas Patton who was also with us at Gadlis and is father to Mr Paul Patton told us as to Llynhir that he knew very well, Thomas Barkers shares was on his own account and that his son was brought in to the venture there as well on account of the ancient friendship between the fathers as the friendship between Paul Patton and Thomas Barker at school he also remembers the buying of the shares from John Powell and that his son Paul had is 1/3 of the said share.

Mr Jonathan Robinson was sick at Chester.

Mr Paul Patton was lame, Mr Gerrard Parker in Staffordshire, Esq. Edwards of Brinford sick or else should have heard them but Thomas Barker offers and desires he may be allowed to get their letters or affidavits to be sent the company for their further satisfaction.

Thomas Barker also desires the company will order the letters to be looked over and is willing to loss any of the work if any account has ever been sent of them as ventures of the Companys and shall think in such case he deserves the severest usage from them.

We after saw Mr Robinson at Chester whose account of this matter was agreeable with what was give by the other gentlemen.

We returned to Chester on Friday the 30th May in the evening and there according to appointment met Sir Thomas Standish and his son having with us Mr Lloyd the attorney

employed in negotiating what has passed betwixt us and Sir Thomas. That evening and all Saturday was spent in conversing with them, we sometimes agreeing, sometimes differing. Sir Thomas being under difficulties and disappointments for want of £1,000, some since proposed to be lent him on his and his son's personal security which we told him we were ready to advance in case a valid and sufficient lease of the mines was executed to the company as it was proposed in such case and not otherwise. He much desired the company would themselves advance or procure some friend of theirs to advance £4,000 for the taking up his mother Mrs Turner's mortgage and paying off the other encumbrances by Decree in Chancery on his estate that he might thereby be enabled to grant an effectual lease to the company, which we did not give him any expectation of only told him the writings should be looked into and an answer quickly given whether the company would serve him or no as to that matter. But we more advised him and his son to endeavour to persuade Mrs Turner to join in the execution of the lease to the company as that would be the shortest and likeliest way of settling with them, that the works might go on, which we under the present uncertainty thought ought to be stopped by paying of the workmen viz those having been already expended (as near as we could learn) about £150, which with what more may be laid out if a lease be not obtained we apprehend will likely be lost as well as the expenses of journey, attorneys etc. But the issue of all our converse on this affair was that Sir Thomas and his son would go immediately over to Mrs Turner to try if they could prevail on her to join in the lease and in three weeks from the Wednesday following or less, the company should hear from him what could be done and that if they did not then approve of proceeding he should be content with the Companys discharging the men, or would himself pay the expense after.

Mr Barker and Mr Watson's sentiments about this Sir Thomas Standish Libertys, Mines &c. happen to be different which renders it the more difficult for us to determine what to do. Mr Barker's account is as by his letter of the 6th June came to hand since we was there, viz:

My thoughts of Sir Thomas Standish's Mines by all the accounts I could hear, there is ore 4 inch thick one place with another for 120 yards in length at least and 12 yards in depth in one vein which if but half true will turn out 400 Tuns of ore and all this ground may be cut out at £3 per Tun of lead to the reports in another vein. The miner Abraham Watson talked to offers to raise from 20 Tuns to 30, of lead at £3 per Tun. Tis very plain by the hillocks that the veins have been large and kindly for and turn out a great deal of ore. The whole expense of bringing water to the wheel and driving the gates to unwater these 2 veins and putting the work in order would not as Abraham Watson and we computed exceed £200.

I had my information from all Sir Thomas's miners separate and together drunk and sober which on the whole agreed with what was told me by one, I more depended on, who was no friend of Sir Thomas and had worked for me in Flintshire which I thought was a good evidence as could have in such a case, for the proof I cannot answer.

For every cubic yard of ore weighs above
5 tuns therefore

120	yards in length
<u>12</u>	yards in depth
1,440	<u>yards of ore 4 inches thick</u>

Then divide (4 inches being one ninth of
a yard) by 9

160 solid yards of ore

Which multiplied by 5 for the
weight of one yard

800 Tuns of ore accordingly

Abraham Watson's account. Sir Thomas Standish his lead mine in Lancashire seems not to be very productive veins lying in disadvantageous ground for level and has been wrought by a Bob Engine so far as in its present condition it could command the water in some places as I am told, low in the bearing rock for about 120 yards in length now left dead at both ends and watered in the soles, when I was on the spot made me think that all the ore talked of in the

soles would do little more than defray charges of repairing the Engine and bringing in day water to move it with all and work out the ore to the bottom of the rock which seems to be joined to a shale below, in which little or no ore can be expected for how deep no one can tell, which will be chargeable to try where the rising water is great and the day water scarce to work an engine with such certainty as is necessary to make an effectual trial in the deeps. Although workmen are cheap in that part of the Country yet considering the nature of these mines in every respect they look to be no tempting venture even if the lease could be had securely at the fifth duty without the loan of money.

May 14th 1729 Abraham Watson

While we were at Chester Mr Barker read a letter from Jethro Norman with the following account. That the Sough at Delfe was very hard and not through the Black Stone under which he has great reason to believe we shall have good ore; Watering Close went on well with their driving and about a week before came to a thin Wabord Clay an inch thick under which they had some small piece of ore and the soil much kinder which gives him hopes of finding something better Ere long.

The Court ordered their thanks to the Gentlemen for their great trouble and pains taken in the viewing their works and for their report made as above to this Court and the treasurer reporting he had disbursed and expended on account of their journey £95.

Ordered he do repay himself the same out of this Company cash and that he have credit accordingly in his account with the Company.

24th June 1729 LLC 6

George Gilbert took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

The Secretary reported that since Xmas last he had sold by the following persons 210 of the Company's Maiden Shares Viz.

By John Parke 8 shares

By John Marriot 50 shares

By Thomas Stainbank 152 shares.

In all 210 shares and that he has carried the like numbers of shares to their respective credit from time to time and has paid in to the treasurer the Neat proceed of the same amounting to £5883 13s.

Ordered. That 50 shares more be placed to the credit of James Creed Esq., our treasurer in trust for this Company, in lieu of the Like number by him transferred the 17th April last to Mr Joseph Marriot in order to be sold for the Company.

1st July 1729 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weights of 3 ingots of silver, 199 lb. 7 oz 2 pw 4 gr. Standard. Value £618 15s 3d.

The Court on considering the report made by several of this Company who lately went to view the Company's work in Wales entered in the minutes of the 17th June last and likewise Mr Barker's account since of Maeslygan, Trelogan and their other works which tho they do not at present, together with the workhouses and other works in the North, render profits sufficient to continue the usual dividend, yet there being good reason to hope by the benefit of the windmill ordered to be set up on Trelogan work and success at Maeslygan the Company affairs may in a short time be in a much better state and considering that any lowering of the dividend this time may affect the Company credit with their Landlords with whom several of the Company's leases now required to be renewed. Therefore the Court thinks it best to continue the usual dividend of 15/- per share for the last half year ending at Midsummer last.

Edward Richardson took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

8th July 1729 LLC 6

Mr George Moore having brought a bill in the Court of Chancery against the Company. Ordered. That Mr Samuel Troughten do appear to the same & get a copy thereof & draw a proper answer for the said Company and advise with Council as he shall think proper to defend the same.

It is desired by this Court that Mr John Gray do deliver to the Secretary all such writings papers & books which are in his hands & were in the custody of Dr Edward Wright late treasurer relating to this Company.

Ordered. That the secretary do attend him for the looking and search of such writings papers & books and receive the same. And report the procedure next Court day.

15th July 1729 LLC 6

The Secretary reported that he had been to Mr Gray for such books writings and papers as he might have in his hands, that were in the possession of the late treasurer Dr Edward Wright, but upon search found none of any sort that relate to the Company's affairs.

Warrants were signed and given the treasurer to the several proprietors for a dividend due at Mid June last on 9286 shares at 15s per share £6964 10s.

		Shares	£	s	d
George	Archer	34	25	10	
James	Allen	15	11	5	
Abraham	Atkins	50	37	10	
Charles	du Bois	80	60		
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	41	5	
Thomas	Boddington	50	37	10	
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	6	15	
James	Bowles	25	18	15	
Margaret	Breach	30	22	10	
Thomas	Bradford in trust	24	18		
Elizabeth	Bowman	8	6	0	
Mary	Barksdale	5	3	15	
Hannah Bella	Biggins	20	15		
Abraham	Bonifield	5	3	15	
Maria Bella	Biggins	40	30		
Rachel	Boswell	11	8	5	
Isaac	Boddington	25	18	15	
Daniel	Bell	6	4	10	
Guilelma	Briggins	20	15		
John	Bell	32	24		
Thomas	Boradley	40	30		
Aime	Benson	7	5	5	
Messrs	Bridgeman & Warner	20	15		
Elizabeth	Ball	2	1	10	
Messrs	Buirk & Haggar	3	2	5	
John	Bromley	3	2	5	
Margaret	Barnes	2	1	10	

Elizabeth	Bovington	3	2	5
Thomas	Bocking	40	30	
John	Baker	43	32	5
Anne	Brownwell	2	1	10
Sarah	Baker	12	9	
Elizabeth	Brock	1	0	15
William	Bowyer Junr	4	3	
John	Baines	2	1	10
Christopher	Crell deceased	75	56	5
Thomas	Cowper deceased	38	28	10
Elizabeth	Clay deceased	80	60	
John	Clarke	25	18	15
Ann	Chokk	15	11	5
Paul	Crell	40	30	
James	Creed	160	120	
Richard	Collett deceased	50	37	10
John	Crow	10	7	10
Judith	Cant	8	6	
Elizabeth	Crell	30	22	10
Leonard	Chapman	40	30	
Nathanial	Carter	10	7	10
Peter	Collinson	13	9	15
Thomas	Cox	10	7	10
James	Collett Esq	25	18	15
Elias	Collett deceased	20	15	
Susannah	Cook	5	3	15
Messrs	Crellius & Cole	10	7	10
Daniel	Cockerell	10	7	10
Timothy	Colston	24	18	
Susanna	Clogie	9	6	15
Capt Const	Cante	11	8	5
Elias	Collett	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Collett	5	3	15
Sarah	Catherall	9	6	15
Nicholas	Carr	10	7	10
Henry	Cockerell	3	2	5
Josiah	Colvill	1	0	15
Walter	Coleman	2	1	10
Alexander	Crouch	2	1	10
Abraham	Coleman	3	2	5
Phebe	Corbin	3	2	5
Capt John	Clarke	3	2	5
Messrs	Creed & Beachcroft	230	172	10

Richard	Diamond	60	45	
George	Dowdwell	5	3	15
John	Dorsses	9	6	15
John	Dear	7	5	5
Joseph	Davies	20	15	
Elinor	Davies	50	37	10
Benjamin	De Vinck	40	30	
Mary	Davies	4	3	
Salathiel	Dean	2	1	10
Thomas	Emlin	35	26	5
William	Every deceased	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Eames	5	3	15
Sollom	Emlyn in trust	20	15	
Joseph	Elmes	12	9	0
Sollom	Emlyn	30	22	10
Sarah	Ellis	5	3	15
John	Estaugh	100	75	
William	Emmot	36	27	0
John	Eathorn	5	3	15
John	Ellill	20	15	
John	Edwards	7	5	5
Frances	Evans	2	1	10
Enoch	Floyd	90	67	10
John	Freame	110	82	10
Nathanial	Ford	88	66	0
Sarah	Fisher	40	30	
Deborah	Fisher deceased	30	22	10
Hannah	Fisher	30	22	10
Joseph	Freame	44	33	
Thomas	Fellows	7	5	5
William	Fell	5	3	15
Joseph	Fookes	10	7	10
William	Foster	100	75	
Jacob	Foster	10	7	10
Robert	Fotherby	10	7	10
James	Fisher	1	0	15
William	Fletcher	1	0	15
William	Fletcher	4	3	
Joshua	Fleatham	20	15	
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	30	
Thomas	Gould	100	75	
Richard	Gerry	47	35	5
John	Garret deceased	30	22	10

Thomas	Gould Junr	30	22	10
Egbert	Guede	50	37	10
Revd. Benjamin	Grosvenor	20	15	
William	Ginn	62	46	10
Joseph	Grove	15	11	5
John	Gallatly junr deceased	20	15	
Nathaniel	Green	20	15	
John	Graham deceased	22	16	10
Messrs	Gould & Larks	50	37	10
Thomas	Glover	10	7	10
Trelucia	Ginn	9	6	15
William	De Gols	10	7	10
Israel	Glover	8	6	0
Thomas	Gordon Esq	50	37	10
John	Gripper	18	13	10
John	Gray	58	43	10
George	Golbert	2	1	10
John	Grover	10	7	10
Urban	Hall Esq	65	48	15
Benjamin	Hopkins	280	210	0
Thomas	Hale	20	15	
Rev Henry	Holloway	28	21	
John	Holloway deceased	44	33	
Joseph	Hill	111	83	5
Humphrey	Hill	114	85	10
Edward	Hankin	60	45	
John	Howard	5	3	15
Thomas	Harrison	43	32	5
John	Hayward	13	9	15
Nicholas	Heather	30	22	10
Hopton	Haynes Esq	23	17	5
James	Horton	33	24	15
John	How	16	12	
Prudence	Hall	17	12	15
Messrs	Huckle & Smith	20	15	
Elizabeth	Hubbard	20	15	
Thomas	Hughes	20	15	0
William	Hegg deceased	19	14	5
George	Haggar	5	3	15
John	Harris	50	37	10
John	Hill	13	9	15
Capt Wm.	Harrison	22	16	10
Adrian	Houser	45	33	15

Jeremiah	Harman	50	37	10
Thomas	Hotchkis	10	7	10
Richard	Hutcheson	8	6	0
Joseph	Hankey	20	15	
Thomas	Hankey	20	15	
Robert	Harle	4	3	
George	Hunt	4	3	
John	Hulls	10	7	10
William	Hodgson	8	6	
Mary	Houson	5	3	15
Edward	Holland	6	4	10
Benjamin	Horne	5	3	15
Messrs	Hakey & S Warner	20	15	
Joyce	Issod	5	3	15
James	Jamblin deceased	10	7	10
Joseph	Jenkins deceased	7	5	5
Mary	Jackson	17	12	15
Mary	James	10	7	10
Mary	Jurin	3	2	5
Matthew	Jenkins	10	7	10
Mary	Johnson	1	0	15
Mary	Ireland	2	1	10
Thomas	Kirby deceased	49	36	15
John	Knight	55	41	5
William	Kimpton	5	3	15
Joseph	Ketch	5	3	15
James	Kinch	12	9	
Susannah	King	1	0	15
Edward	Leeds	200	150	
Edward	Leeds junr	40	30	
Elizabeth	Leeds	11	8	5
Daniel	Lee deceased	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Low	5	3	15
Messrs	Leeds & Hitchcock	25	18	15
Messrs	Leeds & Newbery	33	24	15
Mary	Lee	50	37	10
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48	36	
Nathanael	Matson deceased	120	90	
Mary	Mason deceased	40	30	
Lascells	Metcalf	143	107	5
John	Mucklow	32	24	
Jonathan	Mason deceased	37	27	15
Cornelius	Mason	45	33	15

Lascells	Metcalfe junr	15	11	5
Christian	Metcalfe	5	3	15
Christian	Metcalfe junr dec'd	5	3	15
Joseph	Moore	100	75	
Thomas	May	4	3	
William	Miller	4	3	
Anne	Mills	2	1	10
Jane	Maunde	3	2	5
Susan	Mackins	1	0	15
Michael	Marlow	10	7	10
Anne	Moore	40	30	
Daniel	Mocher	15	11	5
John Henry	Mertins	21	15	15
Thomas	Merryman	30	22	10
Katherine	Merchant	25	18	15
Gilbert	Molleson	10	7	10
Nathaniel	Miers	20	15	
John	Meller	14	10	10
Joseph	Marriot	60	45	0
John	Newton	5	3	15
Samuel	Noble	20	15	0
William	Nayler	8	6	
Richard	Neave	32	24	
William	Nichols	10	7	10
Anthony	Neateley	10	7	10
William	Ockenden deceased	134	100	10
Thomas	Oades	20	15	
Mary	Ockenden	15	11	5
William	Ockenden	23	17	5
John	Obee	3	2	5
Elizabeth	Ossgood	1	0	15
Clement	Plumsted deceased	10	7	10
John	Peirie deceased	20	15	
Andrew	Pit	20	15	
Abel	Pearse	15	11	5
William	Purdue	5	3	15
Richard	Pairtree	10	7	10
John	Prudom	16	12	
Robert	Pearce	5	3	15
Ambrose	Page	200	150	0
Isaac	Pickerell	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Plumstead	15	11	5
Isaac	Paulden	7	5	5

John	Pearless	5	3	15
Charles	Pearce	5	3	15
Messrs	Pearce & Scott	10	7	10
Col John	Pilkington Esq	2	1	10
George	Peck	2	1	10
Samuel	Peck	3	2	5
John	Peck	3	2	5
Sarah	Paule	9	6	15
Mary	Pearless	3	2	5
George	Pattison	2	1	10
John	Plant	20	15	
Job	Purvis	4	3	
Henry	Pinkcomb	2	1	10
John	Quait	5	3	15
Michael	Russell	42	31	10
Joseph	Rawbon	20	15	
Thomas	Richardson	17	12	15
Richard	Reynolds	11	8	5
John	Rose	13	9	15
Edward	Richardson	6	4	10
Christopher	Rundle	20	15	0
William	Read deceased	5	3	15
George	Read	10	7	10
Anne	Read deceased	11	8	5
Thomas	Reynolds	5	3	15
James	Richardson	1	0	15
George	Rand	1	0	15
William	Russell	1	0	15
Joshua	Russell	1	0	15
Hannah	Reynolds	2	1	10
Robert	Rand	1	0	15
Richard	Rose	2	1	10
John	Rawlinson	27	20	5
Messrs	Ridge & Bryan	4	3	0
William	Smith	200	150	0
John	Salter	10	7	10
William	Squire	5	3	15
Jonathan	Scarth	6	4	10
Robert	Street	15	11	5
Rev George	Smith	34	25	10
James	Simonsen	18	13	10
Robert	Sutton	5	3	15
Christopher	Smith	2	1	10

Kath	Sherwood	1	0	15
William	Soulley	4	3	
Anne	Springham	2	1	10
Richard	Spence	4	3	
Anne	Scott	2	1	10
James	Simonson junr	3	2	5
John	Smith	5	3	15
Kath	Spearing	7	5	5
Mary	Saunders	6	4	10
Henry	Sankey	16	12	
Ester	Selwin	8	6	0
Thomas	Smith	23	17	5
Richard	Sheldon	7	5	5
John	Scutt	5	3	15
William	Stevens	25	18	15
Rev Thomas	Sleigh	8	6	
Messrs Thos & Jno	Smith	10	7	5
Samuel	Stanley	5	3	15
Timothy	Squire	10	7	10
William	Stratton	20	15	
Thomas	Skip	7	5	5
Thomas	Steed	30	22	10
Joseph	Sterry	35	26	5
John	Tomkins	9	6	15
John	Tatnal	43	32	5
John	Toms	32	24	
Thomas	Thomas	8	6	
William	Tichmarsh	9	6	15
Martin	Tomkins	30	22	10
Rebecca	Toovey	10	7	10
Richard	Taylor	30	22	10
John	Thomson	27	20	5
Capt Thomas	Townsend	9	6	15
Frances	Tomkins	5	3	15
John	Usher deceased	25	18	15
Kath	Usher	20	15	
Josiah	Vaughan	10	7	10
Arthur	Woolley	110	82	10
Abel	Wilkinson	5	3	15
Rev John	Willis	110	82	10
William	Woolley deceased	6	4	10
John	Wall Esq	130	97	10
John	Woolley	54	40	10

John	Wilmer	10	7	10
Simeon	Warner	81	60	15
William	Wright Esq	68	51	
James	Ward deceased	37	27	15
James	Wilkinson	110	82	10
Henry	Wilkinson	37	27	15
Bryan	Wheelock	30	22	10
Hannah	Ward Horsleydown	10	7	10
Randle	Wilbraham Esq	40	30	
Dorothy	Wyal	23	17	5
Robert	Wickenden	40	30	
Wight	Woolley Esq	100	75	
Anne	Wilkinson	25	18	15
Messrs	Warner & Baker	50	37	10
Edward	Wills	20	15	0
Rev Samuel	Wright	5	3	15
Capt John	Werry	67	50	5
John	Warner	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Wilkinson	5	3	15
Margaret	Williams	5	3	15
Rebecca	Wilcocks	10	7	10
Rachel	Wilcocks	7	5	5
Thomas	Woodward	3	2	5
John	Welles	1	0	15
John	Worrell	3	2	5
James	Whitaker	6	4	10
Judith	Windsor	2	1	10
Aimee	Woodward	2	1	10
Sarah	Wilcocks	4	3	0
Anne	Weale	5	3	15
Richard	Warner Esq	69	51	15
Sarah	Ward	30	22	10
Henry	Wilkinson	5	3	15
Edward	Walker	7	5	5
John	Alington	7	5	5
Richard	Parks	20	15	
Edmund	Stevens	<u>40</u>	<u>30</u>	
		9286	£6,964	10

19th July 1729 LLC 6

The Treasurer upon receiving a letter directed to him from Thomas Barker dated the 15th instant chiefly containing matters of great importance betwixt the Company & the Derbyshire gentleman relating to an accommodation for drawing the water of their work at Maeslygen which if should succeed may be very advantageous to the Company & Mr Barker desired he

might have an immediate answer the treasurer thought it was necessary to call a Court and thereupon ordered the secretary to summon the Court of Assistants to meet this day at 11 in the morning to consider what answer to return to the letter.
It was unanimously agreed that an answer be immediately drawn up, which was done accordingly.

29th July 1729 LLC 6

Benjamin Mason signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

Richard Spence took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

5th August 1729 LLC 6

John Banes took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

26th August 1729 LLC 6

Edward Butcher & William Glell signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

23rd September 1729 LLC 6

Sarah Baker took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

18th November 1729 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver, 129 lb. 7 oz 17 pw 20 gr. Standard. Value £401 18s 7d.

25th November 1729 LLC 6

Capt John Clarke & Thomas Littlewood took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

2nd December 1729 LLC 6

Ambrose Page Esq. took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

Capt Richard Robbins signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

16th December 1729 LLC 6

Thomas Barker took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor on open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

23rd December 1729 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weights of 3 ingots of silver, 192 lb. 7 oz 10 pw 20 gr. Standard. Value £606 8s 10d.

Rowland Ingram, & Hugh Griggs took the oath & Israel Glover signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

6th January 1730 LLC 6

The following persons were elected for the year ensuing.

Urban Hall Esq Governor	
Enoch Floyd Deputy Governor	
Samuel Beachcroft Esq	Mr William Smith
Mt Arthur Woolley	Mr Benjamin Hopkins
Mr John Toms	Edward Leeds Esq
Mr Humphrey Hill	James Creed Esq
Charles Du Bois	Mr John Gray
Mr John Freame	Mr Matthews Beachcroft

13th January 1730 LLC 6

Upon reading and considering whereof end of a report by Mr Thomas Barker of his having lately waited upon Sir Richard Grosvenor requesting the renewal of several leases of mines held off him by this Company and Sir Richard complying with such request to renew all the said leases for 21 years at the farm of 30/- per Ton (excepting Long Rake) and the great expectation that he the said Thomas Barker has of great advantage to this Company by a new grant lately made to this Company by Esquire Myddelton of Shropshire. This Court was of opinion that a dividend may be made of 15s upon each share.

20th January 1730 LLC 6

The warrants were signed & given the treasurer to the several proprietors for a dividend at Xmas last on 9538 shares at 15s per share £7153 10s.

		Shares	£	s	d
George	Archer	20	15	0	
James	Allen	15	11	5	
Abraham	Atkins	50	37	10	
John	Allingham	7	5	5	
Charles	du Bois	80	60	0	
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	41	5	
Thomas	Boddington	50	37	10	
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	6	15	
James	Bowles	25	18	15	
Margaret	Breach	30	22	10	
Thomas	Bradford in trust	24	18	0	
Elizabeth	Bowman	8	6	0	
Mary	Barksdale	5	3	15	
Hannah Bella	Biggins	20	15	0	
Abraham	Bonifield	5	3	15	
Maria Bella	Biggins	45	33	15	
Rachel	Boswell	11	8	5	
Isaac	Boddington	30	22	10	
Daniel	Bell	6	4	10	
Guilelma	Briggins	27	20	5	
John	Bell	40	30	0	
Thomas	Boradley	40	30	0	
Aime	Benson	13	9	15	

Messrs	Bridgeman & Warner	20	15	0
Matthews	Beachcroft	30	22	10
Thomas	Bocking	50	37	10
John	Baker	43	32	5
Sarah	Baker	12	9	0
Edward	Butcher	10	7	10
Thomas	Barker	22	16	10
Elizabeth	Ball	2	1	10
Messrs	Buirk & Haggar	3	2	5
Elizabeth	Bovington	3	2	5
John	Bromley	3	2	5
Margaret	Barnes	2	1	10
Elizabeth	Brook	1	0	15
William	Bowyer Junr	4	3	0
Anne	Brownwell	2	1	10
Christopher	Crell deceased	75	56	5
Thomas	Cowper deceased	32	24	0
Elizabeth	Clay	80	60	0
John	Clarke	20	15	0
Ann	Chokk	15	11	5
Paul	Crell	40	30	0
James	Creed	160	120	0
Richard	Collett deceased	50	37	10
John	Crow deceased	10	7	10
Judith	Cant	8	6	0
Elizabeth	Crell	30	22	10
Leonard	Chapman	40	30	0
Nathanial	Carter	10	7	10
Peter	Collinson	13	9	15
Thomas	Cox	10	7	10
Samuel	Collett Esq	7	5	5
Elias	Collett deceased	20	15	0
Susannah	Cook	5	3	15
Messrs	Crellius & Cole	10	7	10
Daniel	Cockerell	12	9	0
Timothy	Colston	30	22	10
Susanna	Clogie	9	6	15
Capt Const	Cante	11	8	5
Elias	Collett	15	11	5
Elizabeth	Collett	5	3	15
Sarah	Catherall	9	6	15
Nicholas	Carr	10	7	10
Capt John	Clarke	6	4	10

Messrs	Creed & Beachcroft	200	150	0
John	Collman	25	18	15
Jonathan	Cotton	7	5	5
Capt William	Craig	10	7	10
Henry	Cockerell	4	3	0
Josiah	Colvill	1	0	15
Walter	Coleman	2	1	10
Alexander	Crouch	2	1	10
Abraham	Coleman	3	2	5
Phebe	Corbin	3	2	5
Richard	Diamond	60	45	0
George	Dowdwell	5	3	15
John	Dorsses	9	6	15
John	Dear	7	5	5
Joseph	Davies	41	30	15
Elinor	Davies	50	37	10
Benjamin	De Vinck	40	30	0
Mary	Davies	4	3	0
Salathiel	Dean	2	1	10
Thomas	Emlin	35	26	5
William	Every deceased	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Eames	5	3	15
Sollom	Emlyn in trust	20	15	0
Joseph	Elmes	12	9	0
Sarah	Ellis	5	3	15
John	Estaugh	100	75	0
William	Emmot	36	27	0
John	Eathorn	5	3	15
John	Ellill	20	15	0
Frances	Evans	2	1	10
Sollom	Emlyn	30	22	10
Enoch	Floyd	90	67	10
John	Freame	110	82	10
Nathanial	Ford	78	58	10
Sarah	Fisher	40	30	0
Deborah	Fisher deceased	30	22	10
Hannah	Fisher	30	22	10
Joseph	Freame	44	33	0
Thomas	Fellows	7	5	5
William	Fell	5	3	15
Joseph	Fookes	10	7	10
William	Foster	100	75	0
Jacob	Foster	10	7	10

Robert	Fotherby	10	7	10
Nicholas	Frankland	5	3	15
Joshua	Fleatham	30	22	10
James	Fisher	5	3	15
William	Fletcher	1	0	15
William	Fletcher Cheapside	4	3	0
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	30	0
Thomas	Gould	100	75	0
Richard	Gerry	47	35	5
John	Garret deceased	30	22	10
Thomas	Gould Junr	30	22	10
Egbert	Guede	50	37	10
Revd. Benjamin	Grosvenor	20	15	0
William	Ginn	62	46	10
Joseph	Grove	15	11	5
John	Gallatly junr deceased	20	15	0
Nathaniel	Green	20	15	0
John	Graham deceased	22	16	10
Messrs	Gould & Larks	50	37	10
Thomas	Glover	10	7	10
Trelucia	Ginn	10	7	10
William	De Gols	10	7	10
Israel	Glover	20	15	0
Thomas	Gordon Esq	50	37	10
John	Gripper	30	22	10
John	Gray	21	15	15
John	Grover	10	7	10
Hugh	Grigg	8	6	0
Robert	Giddings	10	7	10
George	Golbert	2	1	10
Urban	Hall Esq	65	48	15
Benjamin	Hopkins	280	210	0
Thomas	Hale	20	15	0
Rev Henry	Holloway	28	21	0
John	Holloway deceased	44	33	0
Joseph	Hill	111	83	5
Humphrey	Hill	150	112	10
Edward	Hankin	60	45	0
John	Howard	5	3	15
Thomas	Harrison	43	32	5
John	Hayward	13	9	15
Nicholas	Heather	30	22	10
Hopton	Haynes Esq	23	17	5

James	Horton	33	24	15
John	How	16	12	0
Prudence	Hall	17	12	15
Messrs	Huckle & Smith	20	15	0
Elizabeth	Hubbard	20	15	0
Thomas	Hughes	24	18	0
William	Hegg deceased	18	13	10
John	Harris	50	37	10
Capt Wm.	Harrison	22	16	10
Adrian	Houser	45	33	15
Jeremiah	Harman	50	37	10
Thomas	Hotchkis	10	7	10
Richard	Hutcheson	13	9	15
William	Hill	8	6	0
George	Hunt	10	7	10
Benjamin	Horne	5	3	15
John	Hulls	10	7	10
Messrs	Hatley & S Warner	20	15	0
William	Hodgson	8	6	0
Mary	Houson	5	3	15
Edward	Holland	6	4	10
Anthony	Hamblin	5	3	15
Robert	Harle	4	3	0
Joyce	Issod deceased	5	3	15
Joseph	Jenkins deceased	7	5	5
Mary	Jackson	17	12	15
Mary	James	10	7	10
Thomas	Isaack	6	4	10
Martha	Jenkins	13	9	15
Rowland	Ingram	10	7	10
Mary	Jurin	3	2	5
Mary	Johnson	1	0	15
Mary	Ireland	2	1	10
Thomas	Kirby deceased	49	36	15
John	Knight	55	41	5
William	Kimpton	5	3	15
Joseph	Ketch	5	3	15
James	Kinch	12	9	0
Edward	Leeds deceased	100	75	0
Edward	Leeds Esq	80	60	0
Elizabeth	Leeds	61	45	15
Daniel	Lee deceased	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Low	5	3	15

Messrs	Leeds & Hitchcock	25	18	15
Messrs	Leeds & Newbery	33	24	15
Mary	Lee deceased	50	37	10
James	Lambert	20	15	0
Thomas	Littlewood	10	7	10
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48	36	0
Nathanael	Matson deceased	120	90	0
Lascells	Metcalf	143	107	5
Mary	Mason deceased	40	30	0
John	Mucklow	32	24	0
Jonathan	Mason deceased	37	27	15
Cornelius	Mason	45	33	15
Lascells	Metcalf junr	15	11	5
Christian	Metcalf dec'd	5	3	15
Christian	Metcalf junr	5	3	15
Joseph	Moore	100	75	0
Anne	Moore	40	30	0
Daniel	Mocher	15	11	5
John Henry	Mertins	21	15	15
Thomas	Merryman	30	22	10
Katherine	Merchant	32	24	0
Gilbert	Molleson	10	7	10
Nathaniel	Miers	30	22	10
Thomas	May	4	3	0
William	Miller	4	3	0
Anne	Mills	2	1	10
Jane	Maunde	3	2	5
	Mitchell	4	3	0
Susan	Mackins	1	0	15
John	Meller	20	15	0
Michael	Marlow	10	7	10
Benjamin	Mason	40	30	0
John	Newton	5	3	15
Samuel	Noble	20	15	0
William	Nayler	8	6	0
Richard	Neave	32	24	0
William	Nichols	10	7	10
Anthony	Neateley	10	7	10
William	Ockenden deceased	134	100	10
Thomas	Oades	20	15	0
Mary	Ockenden	15	11	5
William	Ockenden	23	17	5
John	Obee	3	2	5

Elizabeth	Ossgood	2	1	10
Clement	Plumsted deceased	10	7	10
John	Peirie deceased	20	15	0
Richard	Parks deceased	20	15	0
Andrew	Pit	20	15	0
Abel	Pearse	15	11	5
William	Purdue	5	3	15
Capt Richard	Pairtree	10	7	10
John	Prudom	23	17	5
Robert	Pearce deceased	5	3	15
Ambrose	Page	200	150	0
Isaac	Pickerell	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Plumstead	15	11	5
Isaac	Paulden	7	5	5
John	Pearless	5	3	15
Charles	Pearce	5	3	15
Messrs	Pearce & Scott	10	7	10
George	Peck	5	3	15
John	Plant	20	15	0
Sarah	Paule	9	6	15
Dame Eliz	Porteen	12	9	0
Col John	Pilkington Esq	1	0	15
Mary	Pearless	3	2	5
Samuel	Peck	3	2	5
George	Pattison	2	1	10
Job	Purvis	4	3	0
Henry	Pinkcomb	2	1	10
Elizabeth	Painter	4	3	0
John	Quait deceased	5	3	15
Michael	Russell	44	33	0
Joseph	Rawbon	20	15	0
Thomas	Richardson	10	7	10
Richard	Reynolds	11	8	5
Christopher	Rundle	20	15	0
William	Read deceased	5	3	15
George	Read	10	7	10
Anne	Read deceased	11	8	5
Thomas	Reynolds	5	3	15
Capt Richard	Robins	24	18	0
Capt Stephen	Robins	5	3	15
John	Rose	5	3	15
George	Rand	1	0	15
William	Russell	1	0	15

Joshua	Russell	1	0	15
Hannah	Reynolds	2	1	10
Robert	Rand	1	0	15
Richard	Rose	2	1	10
Messrs	Ridge & Bryan	4	3	0
Tacey Bowls	Railton	3	2	5
John	Rainford	4	3	0
Jane	Russell	1	0	15
William	Smith	200	150	0
John	Salter	10	7	10
William	Squire	5	3	15
Jonathan	Scarth	6	4	10
Robert	Street	15	11	5
Rev George	Smith	34	25	10
James	Simonsen	18	13	10
Robert	Sutton	5	3	15
Henry	Sankey	16	12	0
Ester	Selwin	8	6	0
Thomas	Smith	24	18	0
Richard	Sheldon	7	5	5
John	Scutt	5	3	15
Edmund	Stevens	40	30	0
William	Stevens	25	18	15
Rev Thomas	Sleigh	8	6	0
Messrs Thos & Jno	Smith	10	7	10
Samuel	Stanley	5	3	15
Timothy	Squire	10	7	10
William	Stratton	20	15	0
Thomas	Skip	7	5	5
Thomas	Steed	34	25	10
Joseph	Sterry	35	26	5
John	Smith	5	3	15
Kath	Spearing	7	5	5
Thomas	Stainbank	20	15	0
Christopher	Smith	2	1	10
William	Soulley	4	3	0
Kath	Sherwood	1	0	15
Anne	Springham	2	1	10
Richard	Spence	3	2	5
Anne	Scott	2	1	10
James	Simonson junr	3	2	5
John	Tatnal	43	32	5
John	Toms	33	24	15

Thomas	Thomas	8	6	0
William	Tichmarsh	9	6	15
Martin	Tomkins	35	26	5
Rebecca	Toovey	10	7	10
Richard	Taylor	30	22	10
John	Thomson	33	24	15
Capt Thomas	Townsend	9	6	15
Frances	Tomkins	5	3	15
Emlin	Townsend	5	3	15
John	Tomkins	4	3	0
John	Usher deceased	25	18	15
Kath	Usher	20	15	0
Josiah	Vaughan	10	7	10
Benjamin	Vaux	10	7	10
John	Vandewall	20	15	0
Arthur	Woolley	100	75	0
Abel	Wilkinson	5	3	15
Rev John	Willis	110	82	10
John	Wall Esq deceased	110	82	10
John	Woolley	54	40	10
John	Wilmer	10	7	10
Simeon	Warner	81	60	15
William	Wright Esq	68	51	0
James	Ward deceased	37	27	15
James	Wilkinson	110	82	10
Henry	Wilkinson	37	27	15
Bryan	Wheelock	30	22	10
Hannah	Ward Horsleydown	10	7	10
Randle	Wilbraham Esq	40	30	0
Dorothy	Wyal	23	17	5
Robert	Wickenden	40	30	0
Wight	Woolley Esq	100	75	0
Anne	Wilkinson	25	18	15
Messrs	Warner & Baker	50	37	10
Edward	Wills	38	28	10
Rev Samuel	Wright	5	3	15
Capt John	Werry	67	50	5
John	Warner	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Wilkinson	5	3	15
Margaret	Williams	5	3	15
Rebecca	Wilcocks	10	7	10
Sarah	Wilcocks	9	6	15
Rachel	Wilcocks	7	5	5

James	Whitaker	6	4	10
Anne	Weale	5	3	15
Richard	Warner Esq	69	51	15
Sarah	Ward	30	22	10
Henry	Wilkinson	5	3	15
Edward	Walker	7	5	5
Hannah	Wade	5	3	15
Joseph	Woolveridge	8	6	0
Richard	Wise deceased	10	7	10
John	White	8	6	0
Thomas	Warren	5	3	15
Thomas	Woodward	3	2	5
John	Welles	1	0	15
John	Worrell	3	2	5
Judith	Windsor	2	1	10
Aimee	Woodward	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>10</u>
		9538	£7,153	10

Thomas Warren, Robert Brown, and John Barker took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

27th January 1730 LLC 6

Ordered. That the treasurer be made due in in his Account to the Company for the following sums being for dividends of several Maiden shares which stood in the Company's books in the names of the persons under named, but in trust for the said Company. The said treasurer having before had credit for said several sums in the totals of the several half yearly dividends after mentioned Viz.

Xmas 1728

20 shares in the name of Joseph Hankey	£15	
20 shares in the name of Thomas Hankey	£15	
30 shares in the name of John Clarke	£22 10s	
50 shares in the name of Joseph Marriott	£37 10s	
<u>100</u> shares in the treasurers own name	£75	
<u>220</u> shares for Xmas 1728 amounts to		£165

Midsummer 1729

20 shares in the name of Joseph Hankey	£15	
20 shares in the name of Thomas Hankey	£15	
60 shares in the name of Joseph Marriott	£45	
<u>100</u> shares in the treasurers own name	£75	
<u>200</u> shares for Xmas 1728 amounts to		£150

Xmas 1729

20 shares in the name of Thomas Stainbank	£15	
36 shares in the name of Humphrey Hill	£27	
<u>100</u> shares in the treasurers own name	£75	
<u>156</u> shares for Xmas 1728 amounts to		<u>£117</u>
The Total Amount		<u>£432</u>

3rd February 1730 LLC 6

The Treasurer acquainting the Court that he observed there were several Bonds under this Company's Seal standing out amounting in all to the sum of £1416. Principal money which carried interest after the rate of 5 per cent per annum which he thought would be of the interest and reputation of the Company to discharge. There being money in hand sufficient for that purpose. Which the Court thought reasonable & Ordered the said treasurer to pay off and discharge the Principal & interest due upon the said Bonds, out of the Company's money in his hands as soon as he could get the people in whose hands the said bonds now are to take their money, and that the secretary do forthwith give such persons notice of such the resolution of this Court.

Ordered. That the 100 shares which now stand on the credit of James Creed Esq our treasurer & are part of the Company's Maiden Shares, be carried from the said treasurers account to the Company's account of Maiden shares, in the Company's Books, as also the 20 shares now standing on the credit of Thomas Stainbank & which were transferred to him by Mr T Hankey the 22nd December last in Trust for the Company.

John Philips & _____ Pincoucl took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

10th February 1730 LLC 6

William Graham, Joshua Fleatham & Margaret Taylor signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

17th February 1730 LLC 6

John Scutt, Thomas Skipp, Robert Pringle, John Jemblin, Thomas Bocking & Mary Houson took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

24th February 1730 LLC 6

£28 8s paid to Edward Winter in discharge of 17 pipes of 7 & 8 inches bore being for the use of the Company's works in Wales.

A warrant was given the treasurer to sundry persons for their attendance at the Court of Assistants from 14th January 1729 to 6th January 1730 inclusive.

Urban Hall Esq	5s 1d
Mr Enoch Floyd	£17 2s 8d
Mr Edward Leeds deceased	£12 17s 10d
Mr Samuel Beachcroft	£15 2s 5d
Mr William Smith	£14 18s 2d
Mr Arthur Woolley	4s 8d
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	£18 1s 4d
Mr John Toms	£16 5s 4d
Mr Edward Leeds junr	£3 11s 0d
John Wall Esq deceased	£5 19s 4d
Mr Humphrey Hill	£16 16s 0d
Mr John Gray	£14 17s 8d
James Creed Esq	<u>£15 2s 6d</u>
	£151 4s 0d

A warrant was given the treasurer to sundry persons for their attendance at the Sub-committee from 14th January 1729 to 6th January 1730 inclusive.

Mr Enoch Floyd £18 18s 0d

Mr William Smith	£12 6s 0d
Mr Humphrey Hill	£16 2s 0d
Mr Edward Leeds deceased	£2 12s 0d
James Creed Esq	<u>£16 2s 0d</u>
	<u>£66 0s 0d</u>

10th March 1730 LLC 6

The Court proceeded to the election of a Deputy Governor & it was unanimously declared that Samuel Beachcroft Esq should be their Deputy Governor for the year ensuing in the room of Enoch Floyd Esq., now Governor.

Enoch Floyd Esq, being elected Governor took the oath appointed by the Charter in open Court, Samuel Beachcroft Esq, Deputy Governor took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court. Mr William Smith, James Creed Esq, & Mr Matthews Beachcroft assistants severally took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court.

Mr Benjamin Hopkins, Mr Humphrey Hill, Mr John Gray & Mr John Freame assistants severally signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court, and thereupon took their places at the Board accordingly.

Resolved

That the following persons Enoch Floyd, Samuel Beachcroft, James Creed, Mr William Smith & Mr Humphrey Hill be a Sub-committee for trade & Correspondence for the year ensuing.

17th March 1730 LLC 6

Richard Sheldon took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

7th April 1730 LLC 6

The Court took into consideration the state of their several works and observe that notwithstanding the very great expense and charge they have been at, Maeslygan they are still hindered from proceeding in that work by means of the continued perverseness of the Derbyshire partners in Hugh's lands on account of which and in order to bring them to reasonable terms in respect of clearing said works from water tis believed this Company will be obliged to lye still this Summer but hope before next Summer, this Company may be able to work there to a very considerable profit.

And the windmill at Trelogan being not yet able to conquer the water there so as to enable the Company to work constantly under level which yet it is hoped it will do when the new set of pumps sent from hence are got down and which by this last post are advised are arrived at Parkgate. But if that should fail draining the mines. Then the Under level which has been carrying on at that work for these four years last past at a very great expense is expected may be completed in three years more. But in the meantime will be attended with a very large charge, but when up, that rich work will be freed from water for several fathoms from which work in all human probability very great profits may then be raised.

The Irish mines as also the Company works in the North tis hoped will be carried on immediately to good advantage tho hitherto have been attended with very great expense.

Mr John Ward having last Summer made great complaints concerning our carrying on the works at Jeffry's and Shildon Groves of which he is landlord, and very much pressed then that some of the Company should come down to inspect the matter of his complaints and this Court thinking it reasonable and he having had expectations given him that some of the Company would this Spring come down for that and other purposes.

Tis therefore ordered that this day fortnight that matter be taken into consideration and that at the same time it be considered whether or not it will not be necessary to visit the Company's works in Derbyshire in order to determine whether they shall be thrown up or continued.

17th April 1730 LLC 6

This Court took into consideration the present vacancy of two of the Assistants and after debating whether new ones should be chosen to fill up the vacancies it was thought not necessary to trouble the proprietors for that purpose, but to defer the same till the usual annual time of electing assistants.

It appearing to this Court that the Company's books of Accounts have not been regularly kept it was agreed that an accountant should be employed to put the same in order. And one Mr William Pardon being proposed to this Court for that purpose. This Court desired that the Treasurer to talk with the said Mr Pardon and hear his terms & acquaint this Court therewith this day seventh night.

This Court then took into consideration the state of their several works and observe that notwithstanding the very great expenses & charges they have been at, at Maeslygen they are still hindered from proceeding in that work by means of the continued perverseness of the Derbyshire Partners in Hugh's Lands. On account of which and in order to bring them to reasonable terms in respect of clearing said works from water tis believed this Company will be obliged to lye still this summer but hope, before next summer this company will be able to work there to very considerable profit.

And the Windmill at Trelogan being not yet able to conquer the water there so as to enable the Company to work constantly Under Level which yet tis hoped it will do when the new set of pumps sent from hence get down and which by this last post we are advised are arrived at Parkgate.

But if that should fail draining the mines. Then the Under Level which had been Carrying on at that work for these four years last past at a very great expense is expected may be completed in three years more. But in the mean time will be attended with a very large charge. But when up that rich work will be freed from water for several fathoms from which work in all human probability very great profits may then be raised.

The Irish mines as also the Company Works in the North tis hoped will be carried on immediately to good advantage tho hitherto have been attended with very great expense.

It was then taken into consideration whether the remaining 618 Maiden Shares part of the 1364 Maiden Shares ordered to be sold by the minutes of the 25th June & 23rd July 1728 should be sold or not which said minutes were read after considering there on It being thought for the advantage & interest of this Company and the better to enable the Company to carry on the above mentioned valuable work.

It was unanimously agreed that 218 part of the said 618 Maiden shares should be sold. Therefore

Ordered. That the said 218 Maiden shares should be carried to the credit of Mr John Gallatly on of this Company's proprietors in trust for the Company & in order to be sold for the Company's use and service and that Mr Thomas Usher the Company's secretary do tell the same as soon as he can conveniently and that when sold the same be transferred accordingly, and that the money for which such shares shall be sold after deducting usual & necessary charges be paid to the treasurer for the Company's use, and that the said secretary do report to this Court from time to time what he shall do in pursuant of this order.

Mr John Ware having last summer made great complaints concerning our carrying on the work at Jefferys and Shildon Groves, of which he is land lord & very much pressed then that some of the Company should come down to inspect into the matter of his complaints and this Court thinking it reasonable and he having had expectation given him that some of the Company would this Spring come down for that purpose. Therefore

Ordered. That this day fortnight that matter be taken into consideration and that at the same time it be considered whether or not it will be necessary to visit the Company's works in Derbyshire in order to determine whether they should be thrown up or continued. And if any opportunity of interview should happen betwixt such of the Company as may go & Mr Thornhill or other of the Derbyshire Partners in Hughes Land to try if any agreement can be made with them so as the work at Maeslughan may be proceeded on this summer and also whether it may not be proper to visit the Company's works in Wales, that this Court may be better informed of the state of them & particularly the new undertaking on Mr Middleton's lands, and in case a journey be thought necessary then to appoint the time for the same.

James Falconer Esq, Richard Henshaw & Joseph Warren took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and were admitted thereupon members of this Company.

14th April 1730 LLC 6

The following warrants were given the treasurer

One to Samuel Troughton or order for £14 7s 6d in discharge of his bill of Charges of Answers to Mr George Moore's Bill.

One to William Hodgson or order for £15 in discharge of half a years rent for several mines held off him in the Liberty of Blanchland in the County of Northumberland due at Lady day last.

The treasurer reported that according to the desire of the Court as per last minutes he had talked with Mr Pardon and heard his terms which are as follows.

He proposes that for an annual salary of £80 himself & son will constantly attend at the Company's Counting House, to regulate, Methods & Complete the Company Books of accounts. Copy their leases and letters and adjust other the Company affairs as they shall from time be directed.

And that he will give satisfactory security for his & sons honesty to the sum of £500.

And is willing there should be an obligation from him for himself & son to serve the Company for the term of three years if they so long live and that the Company be under the like obligations to employ them for the said term, they behaving them selves to the satisfaction of the Company, & to pay him the aforesaid salary of £80 per annum otherwise to be in their powers to discharge them.

The Court then ordered the Secretary to acquaint Mr Pardon who was attending that they agreed to his proposals, but expected he and son should give their constant attendance till the books were complete from the hour of eight in the morning to seven in the evening from Michaelmas to Lady Day everyday except Sundays allowing for dinner time upon which Mr Pardon mad a demur, and though the time specified was to great a restriction, which he desired the secretary to acquaint the Court and that he expects the Court would allow him all holidays in Course as are usually and Customary kept at other offices.

The Secretary acquainting the Court accordingly they adjourned this affair until next Court.

William Falconer Esq took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and was admitted thereupon a member of this Company.

21st April 1730 LLC 6

Mr John Freame acquainting this Court that he had enquired into the character of Mr Pardon proposed to be Accountant to this Company, and had every good account of him he was called in and the Company agreeing to the proposals made by him the last court, he was then again called in & he took the following oath.

I William Pardon do sincerely promise and swear that I will be true and faithful to the Governor & Company for Smelting Down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal and that I will keep secret all the affairs of the said Company which come to my knowledge.
And thereupon admitted by this Court as & for accountant to the Company.

28th April 1730 LLC 6

John Grove Esq, Edward Lowry, Rebecca Archer & Mary James severally took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and were thereupon admitted members of this Company.

5th May 1730 LLC 6

Robert Garey & Katherine Merchant severally took the oath James Hill, Mary Choise, Anna Grove & Thomas Broackley signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and were thereupon admitted members of this Company.

26th May 1730 LLC 6

William Adams, John Pearman, Thomas Motley & William Martin took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and were admitted thereupon members of this Company.

9th June 1730 LLC 6

Samuel Palmer, Robert Bates, Henry Weatherill, & Jonathan Alingham took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and were admitted thereupon members of this Company.

23rd June 1730 LLC 6

The Secretary reported that pursuant to the order of this Court made the 7th of April last he had sold the 218 Maiden Shares therein mentioned. And that he had paid to the treasurer the Neat proceeds thereof amounting to £6174 18s 6d.

The treasurer reported the weights of 3 ingots of silver, 152 lb. 3 oz 0 pw 8 gr. Standard.
Value £467 18s 7d.

Jasper Helmund, Capt Benjamin Hodges, William Smith junr, Martha Squire & Charles Painter took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and were admitted thereupon members of this Company.

30th June 1730 LLC 6

John Davis & Parnell Mackett signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and were admitted thereupon members of this Company.

10th July 1730 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weights of 3 ingots of silver, 170 lb. 7 oz 12 pw 0 gr. Standard.
Value £528 18s 4d.

14th July 1730 LLC 6

A General Court

Your Court of Assistants have thought it proper and reasonable to call this general Court to lay before you the following state of your affairs.

We acquaint you that since Christmas last the lead trade has not been so quick as formerly, by which means, there is at this time a considerable stock of lead lying at your several works, which stock will daily increase unless there be greater demand than at present.

And several of your most promising and valuable works have for some years past, been very expensive, particularly the Silver mines in Ireland, the several mines in the North of England

and your three great works in Wales, Viz Maeslygan, Trelogan, and Llangynog, upon all which, there has been laid out a very large sum of money, which tis not doubted but the work will amply repay. But though the prospects be never so promising yet from the nature of mining, its impossible to ascertain the success and therefore its uncertain what time or what further expense may be required fully to perfect them, but after a visitation of the works, by some of the members of the Company this Summer, which we think highly necessary a better judgment may be formed.

We further acquaint you that the balance of cash in your treasurers hands including the silver now in London is £11,140 13s 11d.

And that the value of your stock in Lead, Lead Ore, Silver and Good Debt at your several works in Wales and the North of England by the late Account received from your Agents, Thomas Barker and Abraham Watson is estimated at £12,465 14s 4³/₄d. Besides these particulars, you are likewise possessed of leases of several Lead mines, Coal works, Smelting and Refining Works, and other buildings, which we account as a Dead Stock, but they are of every great value such as from the nature of them cannot well be estimated.

There now remains 400 shares in the right of the Company being part of the 3,000 mentioned in the minute of the last General Court read to you the rest of them having been sold for the use and service of the Company.

The accounts read from your agents in Wales and in the North of England, who have been particularly directed, to give us the most perfect estimate of the annual profits to be expected (that they are capable of making and the nature of the business admits of) from your several works under their care, is, as follows. Mr Thomas Barker your agent in Wales says that.

At Maeslygan we did not sink above 5 yards after the gentlemen were down last year, and it was, but at last of all in one sump, that it began to show it self strong and that sump being sunk but three quarters of a yard in strong ore and having before met with several disappointments of the ores cutting out sooner, than expected I can by no means as certain such profits from it. We must all allow it likelier now, than we have seen it, but as I told Mr Maples in Town, we are got so little into it, that it can only be called a trial. As we are so deep and as at first we have so little room to work at, we cannot well reckon the first year working will turn out more than £1,000.

If the ore continues as expected and if we can continue sinking, may every succeeding year increase our profits vastly, in proportion to the greater number of places, which will be open to work at.

The ready Communication of our soles with theirs (which water has proved) shows its the same vein and we ought therefore to expect such Bellys as they have had.

Trelogan Value, when our Deep level is completed by the East End proving so strong, and as the ore dips very little that way, we have the greater encouragement from it and may very well put down Smelting included full Farm £8,000 provided, ore holds its present price, this is the very least may be expected from it for several years, how many I dare not ascertain, we shall I hope know before Michaelmas what Trelogan will do while the level is coming up.

Pant y Pwll Dwr including smelting which I reckon at 10s per Tun and that is sufficient as ---- go at present will I believe turn out this year viz. to Midsummer next £1,500.

Old Rake as a flat will not admit of much certainly, as I told the Gentlemen here last time, however, hope including the smelting to Midsummer next may turn out £1,000.

Llangynog I cannot tell whether our share will be £1,00 to Midsummer next, because have 3 shafts to sink and workhouse to build for smelting, but yet it offers so well, that it may clear that and pay all the expenses, and hope afterwards we shall gain by it at least per annum according to the Courts calculation £2,000.

I fear taking all our works together the gains of some won't clear the rest, but this I cannot now make any guess at, being very much out of order with Gouty pains and Sore Throat.

Profits by Smelting bought ore to Midsummer about £1,500

The total per annum £15,000

Mr Abraham Watson your agent in the North says that according to the best observation I can make by this and last weeks view of the present state of your works in this part, I do think in

all likelihood, they will yield at least £1,500 neat profit in 12 months, even suppose Wanlockhead produce little or nothing till, we get through the Twitch in Strait Step Vein. And there is good reason to expect the Silver mines in Ireland will for the future afford very considerable profit, the ore of those mines being very rich in silver.

The Low Level there not being finished we have no estimate from thence, but the agent of those works having occasion to come into the North of England, upon his own private affairs has been ordered there, to meet such of the Company as may visit their works this Summer and is directed fully to inspect the works, under his care and consider of and make the perfect estimate he can, of the annual profits to be expected from thence.

And though not working at Maeslygan, for considerable time past, has been a great disappointment for since the Derbyshire Partners in an adjoining work, let down their water into your works, they have been obliged to stand still and its thought advisable still to do so, till those Gentlemen can be brought to some reasonable agreement.

When this difference which now subsists is adjusted and that mine can be fully wrought there is good reason to expect a great increase of profits.

The said Derbyshire Partners having raised from their works (Which is only parted from yours by a hedge) betwixt Ladyday 1725 and Ladyday 1729 being 4 years about £90,000 profit, as we have been well informed including the gain upon smelting and refining. And Mr Wynn's work upon the same vein has tis well known produced very good profit.

Your Court of Assistants thinks it very necessary, that your Works should be visited this Summer by some of the members of this Company, as soon after this General Court as may be and if you approve of it, they are of opinion, twill be proper, that three of the Court of Assistants should go, as being best acquainted with the works and the persons with whom the Company have business and we would recommend it to you, to appoint a fourth out of this General Court.

Your Court of Assistants can with great satisfaction assure you that they have to the utmost of their capacity, acted in the conduct of this Company's affairs, with all possible diligence and integrity and with the utmost regard to the Interest of the several Proprietors and they take this opportunity, to acquaint you it is their desire that a General Court should be held once a year, if you think proper, besides the Court of Elections and though they had concluded, not to fill up the two vacancies in the Court of Assistants, until the time of the annual election, as has been customary, yet being now a General Court they submit it to you to fill up the same, sooner, if you think proper.

The Court took into consideration that part of the report of the Court of assistants which relates to the visiting of the Company's works & think the same very necessary and thereupon desired Samuel Beachcroft, & James Creed Esq, Mr William Smith & Mr Lascells Metcalfe that they would visit the Company's several works in the North of England and in Wales, and where ever else they shall judge proper as soon as conveniently may be in Order to make them selves masters of the state & condition of the said works.

Resolved

That a General Court be held at least once a year besides the Court of Assistants and that 10 days notice be given in the Gazette & Daily Courant.

Resolved

That a Court of Elections be held on Wednesday the 29th of this instant at Mr Creed's for the choice of two members of this Company to fill up the present vacancies in the Court of Assistants from the hours of 9 to one in the afternoon & that the ballots be taken in at the same time.

Resolved

That a dividend be made upon this Companys stock for the half year ending Midsummer last and that such dividend be after the rate of 15s per share.

Mr Woodcock, Mr Samuel Wright, Mr George Shead, Mr Samuel Stainford & Mr John Bromley took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and were admitted thereupon members of this Company.

Mr Jacob Hagen signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and was admitted thereupon a member of this Company.
The Warrants were signed & given the treasurer to the several proprietors for a dividend due at Midsummer last on 9600 shares at 15s per share is £7200.

		Shares	£	s	d
George	Archer	20	15	0	
James	Allen	15	11	5	
Rebecca	Archer	10	7	10	
William	Adams	5	3	15	
Charles	du Bois	80	60	0	
Samuel	Beachcroft	55	41	5	
Thomas	Boddington	50	37	10	
Messrs	Belch & Bell	9	6	15	
James	Bowles	25	18	15	
Margaret	Breach	30	22	10	
Thomas	Bradford in trust	24	18	0	
Elizabeth	Bowman	8	6	0	
Hannah Bella	Biggins	20	15	0	
Abraham	Bonifield	5	3	15	
Maria Bella	Biggins	42	31	10	
Rachel	Boswell	11	8	5	
Isaac	Boddington	30	22	10	
Daniel	Bell	11	8	5	
Guilelma	Briggins	30	22	10	
John	Bell	40	30	0	
Thomas	Broadley	40	30	0	
Aime	Benson	13	9	15	
Messrs	Bridgeman & Warner	20	15	0	
Matthews	Beachcroft	30	22	10	
Thomas	Bocking	55	41	5	
John	Baker	63	47	5	
Sarah	Baker	12	9	0	
Edward	Butcher	10	7	10	
Elizabeth	Ball alias Shepherd	2	1	10	
Messrs	Buirk & Haggard	3	2	5	
Elizabeth	Bovington	3	2	5	
Joseph	Bromley	3	2	5	
Mark	Barksdale	3	2	5	
Anne	Brownwell	2	1	10	
Elizabeth	Brock	1	0	15	
William	Bowyer	4	3	0	
Nathaniel	Brassey	11	8	5	
John	Barker	16	12	0	
Robert	Brown	28	21	0	

William	Barksdale	2	1	10
Anne	Bond	5	3	15
Sarah	Billingsley	7	5	5
Elizabeth	Ball Widow	5	3	15
Thomas	Binks	5	3	15
Robert	Bates	5	3	15
Thomas	Bradley	4	3	0
Maria Bella Farm	Barrow Briggins	6	4	10
Messrs	Barclay & Hackney	10	7	10
Christopher	Crell deceased	75	56	5
Thomas	Cowper deceased	32	24	0
Elizabeth	Clay deceased	80	60	0
John	Clarke	19	14	5
Ann	Chokk	15	11	5
Paul	Crell	40	30	0
James	Creed	10	7	10
Richard	Collett deceased	45	33	15
John	Crow deceased	10	7	10
Judith	Cant	8	6	0
Elizabeth	Crell	30	22	10
Leonard	Chapman	40	30	0
Nathanial	Carter	10	7	10
Thomas	Cox	10	7	10
Samuel	Collett Esq	7	5	5
Elias	Collett deceased	15	11	5
Susannah	Cook	5	3	15
Messrs	Crellius & Cole	10	7	10
Daniel	Cockerell	20	15	0
Timothy	Colston	30	22	10
Susanna	Clogie	9	6	15
Capt Const	Cante	11	8	5
Elias	Collett	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Collett	5	3	15
Sarah	Catherall	9	6	15
Nicholas	Carr	10	7	10
Capt John	Clarke	6	4	10
Messrs	Creed & Beachcroft	200	150	0
Jonathan	Cotton	7	5	5
Capt William	Craig	10	7	10
Henry	Cockerell	10	7	10
Josiah	Colvill	1	0	15
Walter	Coleman	2	1	10
Alexander	Crouch	2	1	10

Abraham	Coleman	3	2	5
Phebe	Corbin	3	2	5
Mary	Choyce	15	11	5
Elizabeth	Collinson	7	5	5
Richard	Diamond	60	45	0
George	Dowdwell	5	3	15
John	Dorsses	9	6	15
John	Dear	7	5	5
Joseph	Davies	41	30	15
Elinor	Davies	50	37	10
Benjamin	De Vinck	40	30	0
Mary	Davies	4	3	0
Salathiel	Dean	2	1	10
John	Davis	5	3	15
Thomas	Emlin	35	26	5
William	Every deceased	5	3	15
Elizabeth	Eames	5	3	15
Sollom	Emlyn in trust	20	15	0
Sollom	Emlyn	30	22	10
Sarah	Ellis	5	3	15
John	Estaugh	100	75	0
William	Emmot	36	27	0
John	Eathorn	5	3	15
John	Ellill	20	15	0
Frances	Evans	2	1	10
Thomas	Eames	5	3	15
Joseph	Earelley	2	1	10
Simon	Edgell	15	11	5
Enoch	Floyd	106	79	10
John	Freame	110	82	10
Nathanial	Ford	78	58	10
Hannah	Fisher	60	45	0
Joseph	Freame	44	33	0
Thomas	Fellows	7	5	5
William	Fell	5	3	15
Joseph	Fookes	15	11	5
William	Foster	100	75	0
Jacob	Foster	10	7	10
Robert	Fotherby	10	7	10
Nicholas	Frankland	5	3	15
Joshua	Fleatham	30	22	10
James	Fisher	5	3	15
William	Fletcher	1	0	15

Benjamin	Fuller	5	3	15
James	Falconer Esq	40	30	0
William	Falconer	20	15	0
William	Fletcher Cheapside	5	3	15
John	Full	8	6	0
Archibald	Grosvenor	40	30	0
Thomas	Gould	100	75	0
Richard	Gerry	54	40	10
John	Garret deceased	30	22	10
Thomas	Gould Junr	30	22	10
Egbert	Guede	50	37	10
Revd. Benjamin	Grosvenor	20	15	0
William	Ginn	62	46	10
Joseph	Grove	30	22	10
John	Gallatly junr deceased	20	15	0
Nathaniel	Green	20	15	0
John	Graham deceased	19	14	5
Messrs	Gould & Larks	50	37	10
Thomas	Glover	10	7	10
Trelucia	Ginn	11	8	5
William	De Gols	10	7	10
Israel	Glover	20	15	0
Thomas	Gordon Esq	50	37	10
John	Gripper	36	27	0
John	Gray	21	15	15
John	Grover	10	7	10
Hugh	Grigg	8	6	0
Robert	Giddings	10	7	10
George	Golbert	3	2	5
John	Grove	20	15	0
Robert	Gary	10	7	10
Anne	Grove	20	15	0
Urban	Hall Esq deceased	80	60	0
Benjamin	Hopkins	298	223	10
Thomas	Hale	20	15	0
Rev Henry	Holloway	28	21	0
John	Holloway deceased	44	33	0
Joseph	Hill	30	22	10
Humphrey	Hill	30	22	10
Edward	Hankin	60	45	0
John	Howard	5	3	15
Thomas	Harrison	46	34	10
Robert	Harle	4	3	0

John	Hayward	20	15	0
Nicholas	Heather	30	22	10
Hopton	Haynes Esq	23	17	5
James	Horton	33	24	15
John	How	16	12	0
Prudence	Hall	17	12	15
Messrs	Huckle & Smith	20	15	0
Elizabeth	Hubbard	20	15	0
Thomas	Hughes	24	18	0
William	Hegg	18	13	10
John	Harris	50	37	10
Capt Wm.	Harrison	22	16	10
Adrian	Houser	50	37	10
Jeremiah	Harman	50	37	10
Thomas	Hotchkis	10	7	10
Richard	Hutcheson	13	9	15
George	Hunt	8	6	0
John	Hulls	20	15	0
Messrs	Hatley & S Warner	20	15	0
William	Hodgson	8	6	0
Mary	Howson	11	8	5
Edward	Holland	8	6	0
Anthony	Hamblin	5	3	15
Benjamin	Hodges	10	7	10
Jasper	Helmunt	5	3	15
Richard	Henshaw	5	3	15
James	Hill	5	3	15
Joyce	Issod deceased	5	3	15
Joseph	Jenkins	7	5	5
Mary	Jackson	17	12	15
Mary	James	10	7	10
Thomas	Isaack	6	4	10
Martha	Jenkins	13	9	15
Rowland	Ingram	10	7	10
Mary	Jurin	3	2	5
Mary	Johnson	1	0	15
Mary	Ireland	2	1	10
Thomas	Kirby deceased	27	20	5
John	Knight	55	41	5
William	Kimpton	5	3	15
Joseph	Ketch	5	3	15
James	Kinch	12	9	0
Mary	Kent	10	7	10

Edward	Leeds Esq	59	44	5
David	Lee deceased	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Low	5	3	15
Messrs	Leeds & Hitchcock	25	18	15
Messrs	Leeds & Newbery	33	24	15
Mary	Lee deceased	50	37	10
James	Lambert	20	15	0
Thomas	Littlewood	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Leeds	101	75	15
Joyce	Leeds	3	2	5
Edward	Lowery	10	7	10
James	Lawrence	8	6	0
Susanna	Leeds	5	3	15
Cornelius	Mason deceased	48	36	0
Nathanael	Matson deceased	120	90	0
Mary	Mason deceased	40	30	0
Lascells	Metcalf	143	107	5
John	Mucklow	32	24	0
Jonathan	Mason	37	27	15
Cornelius	Mason	45	33	15
Lascells	Metcalf junr	15	11	5
Christian	Metcalf dec'd	5	3	15
Christian	Metcalf junr	5	3	15
Joseph	Moore	100	75	0
Anne	Moore	40	30	0
Daniel	Mocher	15	11	5
John Henry	Martins	21	15	15
Thomas	Merryman	30	22	10
Katherine	Merchant	32	24	0
Nathaniel	Miers	30	22	10
John	Meller	20	15	0
Michael	Marlow	10	7	10
Benjamin	Mason	50	37	10
Thomas	May	4	3	0
Edward	Miller	14	10	10
William	Miller deceased	4	3	0
Anne	Mills	2	1	10
Jane	Maunde	3	2	5
Susanna	Mackins	1	0	15
Charles	Mitchell	8	6	0
Archibald	Maxwell	3	2	5
Capt Charles	Martin	10	7	10
Messrs	Motley & Martin	10	7	10

Parnell	Macket	2	1	10
John	Newton	5	3	15
Samuel	Noble	20	15	0
William	Naylor	8	6	0
Richard	Neave	32	24	0
William	Ockenden deceased	111	83	5
Thomas	Oades deceased	20	15	0
Mary	Ockenden	15	11	5
William	Ockenden	23	17	5
John	Obee	3	2	5
Elizabeth	Ossgood	4	3	0
John	Peirie deceased	20	15	0
Andrew	Pit	20	15	0
Abel	Pearse	15	11	5
William	Purdue	5	3	15
Capt Richard	Pairtree	10	7	10
Robert	Pearce deceased	5	3	15
Ambrose	Page	200	150	0
Isaac	Pickerell	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Plumstead	15	11	5
Isaac	Paulden	7	5	5
John	Pearless	5	3	15
Charles	Pearce	5	3	15
Messrs	Pearce & Scott	10	7	10
John	Plant	30	22	10
Sarah	Paule	9	6	15
Dame Eliz	Porteen	12	9	0
George	Peck	2	1	10
John	Prudom	4	3	0
Mary	Pearless	3	2	5
Samuel	Peck	3	2	5
George	Pattison	2	1	10
Job	Purvis	4	3	0
Henry	Pinkcomb	2	1	10
Elizabeth	Price	10	7	10
Samuel	Palmer	10	7	10
Richard	Peelloy	4	3	0
John	Pearman	2	1	10
Messrs	Price & Peters	14	10	10
Messrs	Price & Collinson	7	5	5
Samuel Vander	Plank	20	15	0
John	Quait deceased	5	3	15
Michael	Russell	44	33	0

Joseph	Rawbon	20	15	0
Thomas	Richardson	8	6	0
Richard	Reynolds	12	9	0
Christopher	Rundle	20	15	0
William	Read deceased	5	3	15
George	Read	10	7	10
Capt Richard	Robins	42	31	10
Capt Stephen	Robins	10	7	10
George	Rand	1	0	15
William	Russell	1	0	15
Joshua	Russell	1	0	15
Hannah	Reynolds	2	1	10
John	Rose	4	3	0
Robert	Rand	1	0	15
Richard	Rose	2	1	10
John	Rawlinson	27	20	5
Messrs	Ridge & Bryan	4	3	0
Tacey Sowle	Railton	5	3	15
John	Rainford	4	3	0
Jane	Russell	1	0	15
Messrs	Russell & Harman	60	45	0
William	Smith	132	99	0
John	Salter	10	7	10
William	Squire	5	3	15
Robert	Street	15	11	5
Rev George	Smith	34	25	10
James	Simonsen	18	13	10
Robert	Sutton	5	3	15
Henry	Sankey	16	12	0
Ester	Selwin	8	6	0
Thomas	Smith	24	18	0
Richard	Sheldon	22	16	10
John	Scutt	5	3	15
Edmund	Stevens	40	30	0
William	Stevens	20	15	0
Rev Thomas	Sleigh	8	6	0
Christopher	Smith	2	1	10
Kath	Sherwood	1	0	15
William	Soulley	4	3	0
Anne	Springham	2	1	10
Ruth	Spence	5	3	15
Anne	Scott	2	1	10
James	Simonson junr	3	2	5

John	Smith	4	3	0
William	Smith	3	2	5
George	Smith	4	3	0
Messrs	Stephens & Wilkins	50	37	10
William	Smith Junr	30	22	10
Elizabeth	Still	4	3	0
Martha	Squire	10	7	10
Ruth	Stokes	16	12	0
John	Still	5	3	15
Daniel	Scott	2	1	10
Messrs Thd & Jno	Smith	10	7	10
Samuel	Stanley	7	5	5
Timothy	Squire	10	7	10
William	Stratton	20	15	0
Thomas	Skip	12	9	0
Thomas	Steed	36	27	0
Joseph	Sterry	35	26	5
Kath	Spearing	17	12	15
John	Tatnal	50	37	10
John	Toms	22	16	10
Thomas	Thomas	8	6	0
William	Tichmarsh	9	6	15
Martin	Tomkins	35	26	5
Rebecca	Toovey	10	7	10
Richard	Taylor	30	22	10
John	Thomson	40	30	0
Capt Thomas	Townsend deceased	9	6	15
Frances	Tomkins	5	3	15
Emlin	Townsend	5	3	15
John	Tomkins	4	3	0
Margaret	Taylor	10	7	10
Capt William	Trover	20	15	0
John	Usher deceased	25	18	15
Kath	Usher	20	15	0
Josiah	Vaughan	10	7	10
Benjamin	Vaux	15	11	5
John	Vandewall	40	30	0
Arthur	Woolley	100	75	0
Abel	Wilkinson	5	3	15
Rev John	Willis	110	82	10
John	Wall Esq deceased	60	45	0
John	Woolley	54	40	10
John	Wilmer	10	7	10

Simeon	Warner	81	60	15
William	Wright Esq	68	51	0
James	Ward deceased	37	27	15
James	Wilkinson	110	82	10
Henry	Wilkinson	37	27	15
Bryan	Wheelock	30	22	10
Hannah	Ward Horsleydown	14	10	10
Randle	Wilbraham Esq	40	30	0
Dorothy	Wyal	21	15	15
Robert	Wickenden	40	30	0
Wight	Woolley Esq	100	75	0
Anne	Wilkinson	25	18	15
Messrs	Warner & Baker	50	37	10
Edward	Wills	40	30	0
Rev Samuel	Wright	5	3	15
Capt John	Werry	67	50	5
John	Warner	10	7	10
Elizabeth	Wilkinson	5	3	15
Margaret	Williams	5	3	15
Rebecca	Wilcocks	10	7	10
Sarah	Wilcocks	9	6	15
Rachel	Wilcocks	7	5	5
James	Whitaker	6	4	10
Anne	Weale	10	7	10
Richard	Warner Esq	69	51	15
Sarah	Ward	30	22	10
Henry	Wilkinson	5	3	15
Edward	Walker	7	5	5
Hannah	Wade	5	3	15
Joseph	Woolveridge	8	6	0
John	White	8	6	0
Thomas	Woodward	3	2	5
John	Welles	1	0	15
John	Worrell	3	2	5
Judith	Windsor	2	1	10
Anne	Woodward	2	1	10
Robert	Walker	8	6	0
Richard	Washbourne	4	3	0
Martha	Walker	2	1	10
Anne Maria	Wyatt	<u>12</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>0</u>
		9600	£7,200	

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Thomas Steedwell & John Hill took the oath appointed by the Charter, John Pull & Anne Bilingsley signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

The Court does order our accountant to accompany the Gentlemen who was desired to visit the Company's Works & in order to put all our agents in a plain sight method in keeping our accounts that they may be transmitted to the Court of Assistants every 3 months in order to be examined.

28th July 1730 LLC 6

Adam Long & Mary Kent took the oath appointed by the Charter & Joseph Wolveridge signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

29th July 1730 LLC 6

A Court to elect two assistants to fill the vacancies according to the order of the General Court held 14th inst.

Mr Michael Russell & Mr Edmund Stevens were elected to be assistants.

Capt Edward Wills, Capt John Brown, Richard Carter, Capt John Evers took the oath appointed by the Charter & Mary Taylor signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

4th August 1730 LLC 6

John Roe took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

11th August 1730 LLC 6

Edmund Stevens took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court as an assistant & thereupon took his place at the Board accordingly.

Richard Carter & John Steiger took the oath appointed by the Charter, David Barclay & John Bincks signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

Esquire Creed in his way to Hull thought it might be of service to the Company as they requested of him by a letter from the secretary to visit the works in Derbyshire under the care of Jethro Norman, and more especially, if he had an opportunity to discourse Mr Thornhill about the difference of drawing the water at Maeslygan according to which request he reports that Mr Thornhill and Mr Twigg came over to him at Chatsworth and discourse about the same. They made this proposal to him that they would draw their water and the Company to draw theirs or else they would bear a proportion if a fire engine be set up which proposition they say Mr Barker has formerly allowed was but one fifth of the whole, however Mr Thornhill did intimate they would be willing to bear a larger share and these proposals Mr Norman seems to think reasonable.

Mr Norman writes Esq. Creed of the 4th inst. in answer to some queries relating to the same affair that Mr Thornhill says he would be as good as his word to give £300 per annum. Notwithstanding all the hardships they have undergone, but no more.

Upon which the Court returned him thanks for his particular trouble in this affair, and ordered that ten guineas be allowed Esq. Creed for his expenses & Charges when there.

18th August 1730 LLC 6

Mr Michael Russell signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court as assistant & thereupon took his place at the board accordingly.

Dame Eliz Porteen took the oath appointed by the Charter, Joseph Hackney & Elizabeth Collinson signed the declaration before the Governor in open Court in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

25th August 1730 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weight of 1 ingot of silver, 99 lb. 11 oz 14 pw 23 gr. Standard. Value £309 18s 7d.

Archibald Harris took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

8th September 1730 LLC 6

Edward Wallen, Benjamin Fuller, Jonah Philps, & Jane Rowley took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

13th October 1730 LLC 6

Capt William Tarvour, & Samuel Vanderplank took the oath appointed by the charter before the Governor in open Court & James Vaughan signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

20th October 1730 LLC 6

Nathanial Carter took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court, Philip Marman & Samuel Stery signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

19th November 1730 LLC 6

A General Court

The minutes of the last General Court of the 14th July last were read, after which the Deputy Governor acquainted them the occasion for calling this Court was to communicate to them the report of the Gentlemen who have lately been to view their several works in England & Wales pursuant to the resolution of the last General Court.

The said report as collected together in one book and signed by the said Gentlemen that visited the said works mines &c. were read.

Gentlemen

Since the return of those Gentlemen who went to view our several works the Court of Assistants have received some agreeable news relating to some of our mines which if you please may be read to you Viz.

Our Agent Anthony Barker per his letter of the 23rd past says that at Llangynog the ore in the new vein is at one place a full 2 feet thick in three and half yards sinking and at another place, about ten yards distant from it, the ore is 10 inches and only three quarters of a yard in depth and the vein is one and half yard wide in both.

He also writes to us that in the Dukes works within 13 yards of our Hedge in a sump they arte sinking there, the ore is full 2 yards solid and in the drift within half a yard of our hedge, the ore is about 4 foot.

And since above we received from him per letter of the 30th past the welcome news of pricking the coal in our colliery, and that they find it to be as strong and good, as any we ever had being 5½ foot thick & at present attended by little water.

And of the same date from Derbyshire we received from our chief agent Thomas Barker the following account.

I hereby congratulate the Court on there greatness of Langunnog discovery which I doubt not will be very valuable for many years.

I have also good account of Panty Pwllder and Old Rake and it is also very pleasing to me that the Shaft at Trelogan Deep Level mentioned in the report page (50) which has all this summer given us so much trouble is now perfected so shall now go on fast again with the forefield.

The Secretary, Gentlemen If you please has something further to read to you relating to the approaching dividend at Xmas, by order of the Court of Assistants.

The Court of Assistants apprehending that the Court may expect to have something said concerning a dividend at the approaching Christmas, do acquaint you that the several accounts ordered from the Company Agents, being not yet received your Court of Assistants have not taken the matter under their consideration.

And for this further reason that tis their intention to have another General Court to consider of the matter. However they do acquaint you that they are well satisfied there will be money sufficient in the Treasurers hands to make the same dividend as at Midsummer last, but they cannot think it proper to come to any resolution before the receipt of the said accounts; for by them your Court of Assistants will be able to make a better judgement of the state of the Company's affairs.

After which they came to the following Resolutions & agreement.

Resolved

That in the future elections there shall be a Rotation that is to say two of there Old Court of Assistants shall go out every year and non shall continue above six years successively & the same method be continued.

Resolved

That in all future elections no person shall be a Governor of this Company who has not sixty shares or upwards.

A Deputy Governor fifty shares or upwards, nor a member of the Court of Assistants that is not possessed of forty shares or upwards.

Agreed. That no servant belonging to this Company shall go about to procure votes in any future election upon pain of being discharged the Company's service.

24th November 1730 LLC 6

It is desired that Mr John Freame, Mr Edmund Stevens, Mr Michael Russell, Mr Humphrey Hill & Mr Matthews Beachcroft or any 3 of them do look out for a house for the Company's use, and report what progress they have made therein.

Devereux Bowley, William Tatnal & Ann Hibbins took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court, Anna Maria Wyatt, Elizabeth Collinson & Joseph Hackey signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

6th October 1730 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver, 128 lb. 11 oz 18 pw 18 gr. Standard. Value £399 17s 6d.

1st December 1730 LLC 6

Sold to James Creed Esq. 200 tuns of lead at £13 12s 6d delivered at Bagilt Flintshire.

Stephen Robins signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

31st December 1730 LLC 6

The following warrants were given the treasurer, to the several Gentleman for their attendance on the Court of Assistants from the 13th January 1730 to this day Viz.

Enoch Floyd Esq	£19 4s 10d
Samuel Beachcroft Esq	£16 10s 0d
Mr William Smith	£18 3s 10d
Mr John Freame	£16 6s 2d
Mr Matthews Beachcroft	£13 8s 6d
Mr Benjamin Hopkins	£10 11s 6d
Mr John Gray	£14 15s 10d
Mr John Toms	£3 0s 0d
Mr Michael Russell	£8 1s 2d
Mr Humphrey Hill	£15 4s 2d
Mr Edmund Stevens	£7 10s 0d
James Creed Esq	<u>£16 16s 0d</u>
	£159 12s 0d

To the several Gentleman for their attendance on the Sub-Committee from the 13th January 1730 to this day Viz.

Enoch Floyd	£17 4s 0d
Mr Humphrey Hill	£15 16s 0d
Mr William Smith	£13 12s 0d
James Creed Esq	<u>£12 4s 0d</u>
	<u>£58 16s 0d</u>

5th January 1731 LLC 6

The Court proceeded pursuant to their adjournment to settle & balance the treasurers Cash which being cast up the balance was agreed to be due from James Creed Esq. treasurer to this Company the sum of £4071 12s 4d which he paid into the Court whereupon it was Ordered that the Common Seal of this Corporation be affixed to his discharge in the treasurers book. The treasurer according to the desire of the last Court delivered into the Court of sundry books writings &c as contained in the following inventory.

Ordered. That the discharge given the Treasurer as also all the minutes which are copied in the Treasurers book be copied in the Company's Treasury Cash Book.

Ordered. That the sum of £4071 12s 4d received from James Creed Esq be paid into the Mr Joseph Freame the Company's Banker for the Company's use.

Some of the Leases included in the inventory.

Mr Thomas Williams lease of Gadlis from 25 December 1702 for 42 years.

Matthew Whitfield lease for 99 years commencing 1707.

Earl of Morton's lease for 31 years of minerals in Orkney and Shetland from 7 July 1709.

Sir Richard Grosvenor Rawleys Rake, Main Brace, Long Rake, Pen y Ffordd Newydd Rake, from 1710 for 21 years.

Duke of Queensburys lease dated 1 August 1710 for 31 years.

Roger Mostyn's lease of lead mines in Whitford for 31 years from 1 September 1714.

Sir Richard Grosvenor 36 meers near Moel y Gaer from 1715 for 21 years

Mr & Mrs Parry's lease of land in Pant y Maen for 31 years from 25 August 1720.

John Conway's lease of Trelogan for 21 years from 17 November 1720.

Mr Gleggs articles of agreement for the Hundred of Prestatyn dated 15th March 1721.

Hopes lease of lead mines in the Garden of Halkin for 21 years dated from 7 April 1725.

Hopes lease of Maeslygan for 50 years from 22 May 1725.

William Stoddart lease 10 March 1727 for 21 years for Blanchland Northumberland.

Mr Hodgson's lease of mines in Cumberland dated 12 March 1727 for 21 years.

Mr John Wares lease of Jeffry's Grove for 23 years from 11 November 1727.

Sir Thomas Astley &c. lease from 2nd July 1728 of Neather Heath for 21 years.

Mr Middletons lease of Llang y nog 24 March 1729 for 99 years.

<p>An Inventory of the Books belonging to the Gov^r & Comp^y for Smelting Down Lead with pit coal & sea coal by Wm Pardon Accountant to the said Gov^r & Company the 17th Decemb^r 1730 In Bartholomew Lane.</p>		<p>An alphabet to Transferr Ledger Transferr Ledger . . . 1720 to 1722 . Operation Book . . . 1706. to 1717. . Do . . . 1717. to 1726. . An acid of Caliphom 1722. to 1727 . . Soul Minors . . . 1705. to 1708 D^r Wrights Aco^t . . . 1705. to 1706. An alphabet D^r Wrights measures Aco^t 1705. & 1706. Copper Company Cash Book . . . Transferr Book . . . 1692. to 1700 . Copper Ledger D^r Journal . . . Journal of this Original Gov^r & Comp^y 1692 to 1695 and used by the present Company from 1710 to 1720 as a Journal. a Book containing the Dy of Maiden Harst. disposed of from Jan^r 1717 to June 1730 . a Large Cover with Maps & other papers. Transferr Ledger 1692 to 1720 Ledger A of this Company Ledger of this Comp^y 1707. to 1715 Do . . . 1715 to 1720 Journal Do . . . 1705 to 1710 . Bond Book . . . a Ledger attempted by m^r Fred^r Park Horne. Operation Book 1726. to 1730 a Book of plain paper in 42nd in Vilhim . A Journal Cash Book & Ledger Designed to copy the Gad^r Aco^t in red Leather Binding Belonging to y^e Irish Aco^t a Small Book to copy Seletothams Aco^t Cash D^r expenses and Accounts a Book to copy particulars of all Aco^t sent from Ireland The Journal and Ledger for D^r Accounts a Book to copy Leases in Ireland & a new Testament with the oath of Qualification writ on Parchment within it, carry^d before In 2 Boxes in the Temple house rough Drafts of Sunday Minutes Aco^t from m^r Blendel at Gad^r being Copy of the Journal & Cash Book there. Letters from Sunday Agents from 1724 to 1730 . and some odd Leases & Contracts, sundry papers & Aco^t contained in the blue Covers and others . not pack^d up any where upon the shelves of Desk¹ . a Court Book from 1692. to 1706 . Do . . . from 1706. to 1711 . Do . . . from 1711. to 1720 . Do . . . from 1720. to 1730 Do . . . 1720. to 1727 . a Box with scales Wrights & A new Alphabet a Box with Minerals & Descriptions of Mining tools a Broad new Operation Book, Leases unexp^d m^r Hopers & Barker's Lease of a field or close adjoining to Moorlygan for 50 years from the 6th Dec^r 1725 m^r Glegg's articles of agreement for the Hundred of prestantin dated 15th March 1721 . m^r Mesiams lease of Calminorm Cordae mawr for 10 years from the 1st May 1724 . The Astay & Lease to Tho^s Barker from 2 July 1728 of Neather Heath for 21 years Conveyances from Monson Hall to Alkinson 1698 Malt Whitfield Dy^g Lease for 99th Commencing 1707 a Box wth sundry old Writings now exp^d & Sunday Letters Taken Decemb^r 1730 by Wm Pardon</p>	
<p>1st The Journal Cash Book Ledger & Alphabet of the Gad^r Aco^t completely brot up . 2nd The Journal Cash Book Ledger & Alphabet of the Comp^y Gad^r Aco^t in 1720 3rd The account of Court of Assistants Court Minutes Books. 4th The Court Letter Book and Book of Petitions . 5th The new Great Ledger designed for y^e Comp^y upon Ledger 6th The new Books designed for the Transferr Book and Black Ledger and Alphabet 7th The Transferr Book from 1720. to 1722 . 8th New Books with an alphabet in it about 300th 9th The Transferr Book from y^e 8th Jan^r 1722 to y^e 1st Dec^r 1727 . 10th A small Book wherein is Copied some Aco^t from Charles Altop and Tho^s Barker 11th an alphabet to a Ledger 12th Substance from 7th Aug^r 1722 to 31 March 1729 13th a copy book for Invoicer 14th a small paper Book of y^e Declaration of y^e Court of Assistants members 15th Transferr Ledger & Alphabet from 1722 to 1727 16th Transferr Book & Book Ledger & Alphabet for y^e present time 17th An abstract of Wills relating to shares poss^d by persons in this Comp^y Dec^r 1720 In Mining Lane Ryton Letter Book from 1696. to 1701 Copper D^r . . . 1692. to 1695 Do . . . 1695. to 1700 . Soul Minors & Lett^r . . . 1700. to 1702 . D^r Letters . . . 1702. to 1705 . D^r Gov^r & Comp^y Letters . . . 1705. to 1710 . Do . . . 1710. to 1715 . Do . . . 1715. to 1720 . Do . . . 1720. to 1725 . Original soul Minors 1692. to 1695 & in a Marble bound Cover . Ryton Minors . . . 1695. to 1697/8 Ditt^a . . . 1698. to 1700 . Do . . . 1700. to 1705 . Copper soul Minors . . . 1695. to 1698 Do . . . 1698. to 1702 Do . . . 1702. to 1705 . a Book of Memorandums . Copper Company's Memorandums 1693. to 1697 1697. to 1704 Ryton Memorandums Substmittes Book . . . 1705. to 1708 Do . . . 1708. to 1711 Do . . . 1711. to 1720 . a Book of Copy of Leases in ruff calf 2nd in Vilhim Large paper Ryton Ledger and Journal Do . . . Ledger from 1695. to 1697 2 Wills Book of y^e new Ledger for 1706 an old Book of Declarations signed off y^e Court members a rough Draught of a Ledger in small paper & ruff Sundry Memorandums & Minutes of y^e Copper Comp^y in a Ruff Book folio . Copper Transferr Book . . . Black Ledger . . . Original Lead Comp^y Receipt Book . . . Ditt^a . . . Petty Cash Book . . .</p>		<p>258</p>	

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Leases & Unexpired

Commencing 1715 - (St. Rich. Grosvenor of Moelyria
for 21 years - - - - - 1st of 36 Meers & near Moely Gaer
Commencing 1710 for 21 years - 1st of Sunday, Rake & Main Brae &
Mr. Griffiths Deed of Partnership upon account
of the Irish Mines - - - - - 1st of Long Rake, & of penyford Newydd Rake
Dated Mar 11. 1729. 1st copy of Deed of use for 21 years from 29th June 1710
Lease of a House in Ingram Court Church Street
for fourteen years from 25th March 1728 to in Diamond
and by him assigned to the Company - - - - - 1st of 15 Meers at Bowle Llyn 4 Cms
A Draught of Coll. Pritty's Lease ready for
signing by the said Coll. - - - - - 1st of 21 Meers at Frodsham pathoy for
21 years from 29th Sept. 1725 -
D. ready for signing by the Company - - - - - Earl of Morisons Lease for 31 year of Mineral in
Orkney & Shetland from 7th July 1709 -
Coll. Pritty's Lease of the Silver Mines in Ireland
Signed by the D. Coll. Witnessed & Registered - - - - - Mr. Glegg & Co. Lease for 18 y^r from 1st July 1724
Sundry Drafts of the Coll. Assignm^t of parts of
the Irish Mine to sundry partners. - - - - - Hopes Article 16th in Barker dated 5th Oct. 1725
A Draught Hodgsons Lease - - - - - Mr. Jones Wifes & others Lease from 28th Oct. 1728
The Duke of Queensbury's Lease bearing date
the 1st of August 1710 for 31 years - - - - - Mr. Allways Lease to Tho. Barker for 21 years
from the 2nd July 1728 -
Coll. Stoddarts Lease from 10 March 1727.
for 21 years Bleach Land in Northumberland.
Lords Tenants Articles of Partnership for 1/16 -
of the Silver Mines in Ireland - - - - - Sale of m. Hughes 1/4 part of Grange Tenement
Lease of Coals from Tho. Mosham for 31 years
from 26th April 1716 -
Thompsons D. for 1/16 parts of D. - - - - - Lady Owen & Co. Owen Esq. Lease of Lanfether
for 31 y^r from 19th Nov. 1726 -
Drummond Wightman & Dring's Articles &
D. Release to y^e Company - - - - - Gleggs Lease of the Hundred of Prestatyn for
20 years from 1st July 1732 -
Mr. Hopes assignment of Mr. Wynns Mortgage
together with 2 Bonds & - - - - - St. In. Conways Lease of Delgan for
21 years from 17th Nov. 1720 -
2. Middeltons Lease of Llangunog 24th March
1729 for 99 years. - - - - - Tho. Ellis & Co. Lease for 21 years from
6th Dec 1726 -
Alex. Carters Tack to In. Newton for 21 years -
from the 25th April 1704 - - - - - 29 Oct 1720 & Geo. Mostyns Lease of Land &
Liberty in action for 31 years dated 30 July 1721
Hopes Lease of Lead Mines in the Garden of Halkin
for 21 y^r from 7th April 1725. - - - - - In the Box & Bond Book
Hopes Lease of Maestlygan for 50 y^r from the
22nd May 1725. - - - - - In D. the Vouchers of
Mr. Pattons Lease of Hugh priors Tenement to Venture
for Coals for 31 y^r from 24th Dec 1718
Mr. & M. Carrys Lease of Land in Percy Mans.
for 31 years from 25 August 1720 - - - - - & Rogers Mostyns Lease of Lead Mines in Whitford
for 31 years from 1st Sept. 1714 16th Bond of 1000
Assignment of m. Hopes lease from Anthony
Barkers & Co. to Tho. Barker dated Apr. 29th 1725. - - - - - In p. Mostyn for 21 y^r from 20th June 1718 Bond
of performance of 1000 from him self & Co.
Geo. Hope Esqrs Lease of Land in Halkin for 25 y^r
to Anth. Barker from 29 Oct 1716 - - - - - Mr. Patton & Sons Lease of Coal works in m.
patton's jointure for 31 years from 16 Oct. 1716 -
Hopes Articles to m. Barker dated 22 May 1725
Loyd & Hopes assignment to m. Barker - - - - - The copy Charter of Incorporation, The comp. commercial
as enclosed under a cover of paper sealed up with the
Names of Inoch Lloyd Gov. m. Denis Hopkins & m. Smith
with upon the Out Side - - - - - Mr. Tho. Williams Lease of Lead Mines in Whitford
for 31 years from 25 Dec 1702 for 21
Dated 14 Oct. 1725 - - - - - & In Conway's Lease of Lead Leases in Delgan
for 7 years after m. D. Lease at 210 18 Ann
Mr. Little & his wifes release & m. Seymour &
& his wifes release to m. Hope - - - - - Mr. Hodgsons Lease of Mines in Cumberland dated 1st
March 1717 for 21 y^r from Lady Day thors after
from the 1st November 1727 - - - - - The profits from the Corporation, said to affix & binding

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7th January 1731 LLC 38**The Court for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and Twelve Assistants.**

The Court proceeded to receive the votes of several proprietors.

The Governor declared the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and Twelve Assistants to be the following persons viz.

Mr Charles du Bois Governor

Mr Samuel Beachcroft Deputy Governor

Mr Matthews Beachcroft

Mr Sollom Emlyn

Mr John Freame

Mr Joseph Grove

Mr Lascells Metcalfe

Mr Edmund Stevens

Mr Thomas Boddington

Mr Enoch Floyd

Mr William Foster

Mr Humphrey Hill

Mr Michael Russell

Captain Jn^o Werry

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Mr John Freame, Mr Joseph Grove, Mr Michael Russell, Mr Humphrey Hill, Mr William Foster & Mr Lascells Metcalfe signed the declaration in lieu of the oath, Mr Thomas Boddington, Mr Sollom Emlyn, Mr Matthews Beachcroft, Mr Edmund Stevens, & Capt John Werry severally took the oath appointed by the charter before the Governor in Open Court and thereupon took their places at the Board accordingly.

Mr Charles Du Bois took the oath appointed by the Charter in open Court before Enoch Floyd Esq late Governor, as Governor and thereupon took his place at the board.

Samuel Beachcroft Esq took the oath appointed by the Charter before the late Governor in open Court as Deputy Governor and thereupon took his place at the board accordingly.

12th January 1731 LLC 6

Mr Enoch Floyd took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court as an Assistant, and thereupon took his place at the Board accordingly.

Ordered. That there be an eight day clock bought for the use of the Company and an Iron chest to keep the Company's writings etc.

Ordered. That the secretary do make Immediate Insurance on the Company's House in Ingram Court, Fen Church Street at the Hand & Hand Office.

Ordered. That Mr Humphrey Hill, Mr John Freame, Mr Joseph Grove, Mr Matthews Beachcroft, Mr Edmund Stevens & Mr William Foster or any other assistants be empowered to inspect the accounts in order for a dividend & report the same.

13th January 1731 LLC 6

At a Committee, ordered & empowered as the last Court to inspect the Accounts in order for a dividend.

Reported That after mature consideration of the state of the Company's accounts & affairs this Committee are unanimously of opinion that it is for the interest of this Company to dividend no more than ten shillings per share for last Xmas dividend.

19th January 1731 LLC 6

The Secretary Reported that he had given in the Name of the Governor & Company for Smelting down lead &c., for insurance to be made on their house in Ingram Court Fen Church Street £500.

The Court having maturely considered the state of the Company's accounts & affairs are unanimously of opinion that it is for the interest of this Company to divide no more than ten shillings per share for last Xmas dividend.

Ordered. That the Governor & Deputy Governor be desired to attend all committees and that both or either when there shall have a vote.

It is agreed that Mr Edmund Stevens, Mr Thomas Boddington, & Mr Matthews Beachcroft be the committee of accounts for the affairs of this Company for the year ensuing or any 3 of this committee be a quorum.

It is also agreed that Mr John Freame, Mr William Foster, Mr Michael Russell & Mr Humphrey Hill, be the Committee for trade and correspondence or any 3 of this committee be a quorum.

21st January 1731 LLC 38

A General Court

The question being put to the General Court whether they agreed with the Court of Assistants of dividing Ten shillings per share last Xmas which carried in the affirmative.

Resolved. That the four hundred Maiden shares now subsisting be reduced and annihilated and that no new Additional Shares be made or created without the consent of a General Court for the future.

Resolved. That a committee be appointed to inspect into the disposal of the Maiden Shares and how the produce was applied or any other matter or things that the Court of Assistants shall think proper. And the said Committee to consist of five persons, (not of the Court of Assistants) three of which to be a Quorum. And the persons so to be chosen shall be possessed of at least forty shares, each of them in their own right. And that each of them do voluntary take an oath or affirmation not to disclose the secrets of this company. But be true thereto.

Resolved. That the said five gentlemen shall be chosen by balloting on Tuesday next at Nine in the morning.

26th January 1731 LLC 38

A General Court

The Court proceeded according to Adjournment to balloting. And the votes being taken in open Court & cast up before the Deputy Governor, he declared the election to fall on the following persons to be the Committee of Enquiry.

Mr Leonard Chapman, Mr John Knight, Mr Cornelius Mason, Mr John Tatnal, Mr Simeon Warner.

John Evers & Thomas Hotchkiss severally took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

9th February 1731 LLC 6

The Court agreed to the report of the Committee of accounts which is as follow.

1. That there shall be an accountant under Joshua Keenleside or such assistance as he shall think proper.
2. That Robert Spencer be discharged the Company's service.
3. That Joshua Keenleyside's salary be £60 per annum from Michaelmas last according to the Gentlemen's promise at Penrith.

The Court agreed to the report of the Committee of Trade & Correspondence of this day.

Ordered. That the Secretary be careful not to deliver out dividend warrants to any person or persons until such time as they have duly accepted their shares.

Ordered. That no person shall be admitted to receive any dividends or dividend upon any share or shares in the Companys Books in sight of being Executor, administrator, or attorney until such time as he shall have produced to a Court of Assistants a probate of such will or letter of administration or of attorney & they approve there of & that their approbation shall be entered accordingly.

Ordered. That the Committee of accounts do take care to have a small vault built with iron doors and in the same have an iron chest with three different locks and keys the same to be in the cellar under the Company's house.

Mrs Elizabeth Still & Mrs Sarah Still took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

The Secretary reported that £1366 1s 4d had been received from James Creed for lead delivered to him.

Ton	cwt	qtr	lb.					
10	2	0	7	in the Robert	at £13 12s 6d	£137	13s	0d
54	7	1	9	in the Swan		£740	14s	9d
				Boatage	£4 1s 0d			
				a Tun of Coals	<u>£0 8s 4d</u>			
						£4	9s	4d
20	1	0	8	in the Dolphin		£273	4s	6d
				Boatage		£1	10s	0d
15	4	1	17	in Friends Goodwill		£207	7s	3d
				Boatage		<u>£1</u>	<u>2s</u>	<u>6d</u>
				Total		<u>£1366</u>	<u>1s</u>	<u>4d</u>

The treasurer reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver, 95 lb. 0 oz 11 pw 12 gr. Standard. Value £294 12s 10d.

9th March 1731 LLC 6

Rebecca, Rachel & Sarah Wilcocks took & signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

16th March 1731 LLC 6

John Smith took & signed the declaration in lieu of the oath, Henry Wilkinson of the Minorities, James Sife, and William Beachcroft severally took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

23rd March 1731 LLC 6

Susanna Bradford took & signed the declaration in lieu of the oath & Waldo du Bois took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

6th April 1731 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver, 78 lb. 4 oz 10 pw 13 gr. Standard. Value £242 19s 4d.

Walter Vane Esq took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

The Committee appointed to confer with the Derbyshire Gentlemen report they have had several conferences with them. The result of is as follows.

That each of them shall immediately endeavour to draw their own water effectually for this year, or such part of the year as shall be found practicable at their mines at Maeslygen and Pentre.

That the agents or overseers of each mine shall have the liberty to go down into the other to see that the above agreement is strictly conformed to and that they shall assist each other in the most friendly manner.

That when either Partnership shall entirely quit their works the shafts gates & Sough level useful for drawing or carrying off water, be delivered to that Company or Partnership that shall continue to work.

If the said Governor & Company shall by next Spring find themselves capable within their own premises to draw both their own water & that of the said Mr Thornhill & Partners. Then the said Pentre Partners shall allow the said Governor & Company such sums as shall be hereafter agreed upon by the said parties.

27th April 1731 LLC 6

Ann Woodward & Richard Knight severally took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

6th May 1731 LLC 6

The Committee of Enquiry having read their report to the Court.

Ordered. That the secretary do give public notice in the Gazette, Daily Courant & Daily Journal that a General Court will be held on Thursday 20th inst at ten o'clock in the forenoon at this house Ingram Court, Fenchurch Street.

The Court having duly considered the nature of the mine called Trelogan & finding the most effectual way to drain it will be by fire engine.

Ordered. That a fire engine of 24 inches diameter be agreed for and fixed as soon as possible. And that Mr James Griffiths do agree with the Patentees on the best terms he can for the license, cylinder & chamber price.

11th May 1731 LLC 6

Nathaniel Write took & signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

18th May 1731 LLC 6

Robert Gould took & signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

20th May 1731 LLC 6

Jacob Harvey & Francis Cooper severally took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

20th May 1731 LLC 38

A General Court

The Report of the Committee of Enquiry

Gentlemen

The present Governor and almost all the Assistants being but lately elected into that station (Therefore can be no ways chargeable with anything formerly transacted) are much concerned that the management of your affairs heretofore has not been so much for the Company's interest and advantage as could have been wished, to remedy which. The present Court have taken such effectual care and put your books &c. into so regular a method that they think it almost impossible for such miscarriage to be for the future.

We also thought it proper at this time to lay before you the present state of your several mines as the same have appeared to us by the Accounts we have received from our several agents.

In Ireland the works have cost a very large sum of money, but are now in so promising a condition that they will not only defray their own expenses but yield profit.

There is a level carrying on there to drain the water which we hope will be finished in three years at furthest and will then render that work very profitable (by the judgement of all the agents and miners, we have from time to time employed in managing and surveying it) for besides the lead it will produce, some of the ore is very rich in silver.

In Wales we are at present agreed with the Derbyshire gentlemen who work a mine at Pentre adjoining to ours of Maeslygan and in consequence of that agreement we are actually at work to draw the water to come at the ore which we have hitherto been successful the water having fallen between 30 and 40 yards which about three fourths of the whole. And though the labour at present is expensive it will we are well assured, by the judgement of all our agents sufficiently recompense our charge, hoping in a little time to be raising ore there. This work has cost upwards of ten thousand pounds and for these two years past has lain unwrought as to profit upon account of a difference with the above mentioned gentlemen.

Your mine at Trelogan which has produced formerly a large quantity of ore is at present drowned with the great increase of water that is come into it, at this mine you have had a low level carrying up for some years past which will not be finished under two or three years more. But it is reputed one of the greatest works in Britain, we were unwilling to stand still so long and have therefore agreed for a fire engine to be erected at that place which is now actually preparing for draining that mine, that we may partake of visible riches thereof.

We are now at work on a new mine called **Llang y nog** which produces a great deal more ore than we could well expect, and by the frequent accounts we have read tis a very valuable work. But the same being forty miles distant from our workhouse at Gadlis, we are considering of erecting a smelting house upon the spot, to reduce the ore into lead for sale. Your sundry other works in Wales are in various circumstances yielding at present but little profit.

Your mines in the North of England and Scotland under the management of Abraham Watson, have for several years past been very expensive, but the difficulties they laboured under, are so far conquered that for the future they will yield a very reasonable profit.

Upon the whole, we can assure you, we have a very promising appearance which we hope will in a while, fully answer the expectations of every member of this Corporation, no labour's being spared, or probable methods left unemployed.

Your present Court of Assistants have found so much difficulty and been obliged to take such pains to put the affairs of the Company into order they are at present in. That had they foreseen the same most if not all would gladly have declined that trust. But since they have taken it upon them they look upon themselves obliged to do what in them lies for promoting the Good & Interest of the Company.

25th May 1731 LLC 6

A motion being made that a book be provided to contain the minutes of General Courts. The same was unanimously agreed.

Ordered. That the secretary do provide a book for that purpose accordingly.

Ordered. That the entries and minutes of General Courts having been made into the Court of Assistants Book, the same be transcribed therein, beginning at the Court of Election the 7th January last.

The treasurer reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver, 81 lb. 6 oz 16 pw 5 gr. Standard. Value £252 17s 0d.

1st June 1731 LLC 6

300 pieces of lead sold to William Stratton weighed 22 ton 8 cwt 2 qtr 1 lb. at £13 2s 6d per fother £294 11s 6d.

Upon reading a letter from the patentees for a fire engine signifying their willingness to recede from the Article entered into with the Company for a fire engine with a cylinder of 24 inch diameter. It was agreed to recede from the same.

15th June 1731 LLC 6

300 pieces of Newcastle lead sold to William Stratton weighed 22 ton 8 cwt 2 qtr 26 lb. at £13 2s 6d per fother £294 12s 6d.

18th June 1731 LLC 6

Thomas Jones the Company's accountant under Abraham Watson the Chief Agent in the North of England took the oath to be faithful and keep the Company secrets.

22nd June 1731 LLC 6

200 pieces of Newcastle lead sold to William Stratton weighed 15 ton 6 cwt 1 qtr 21 lb. at £13 2s 6d per fother £200 10s 8d.

£765 16s 4d had been received from William Stratton for the 800 pieces of Newcastle lead freight and charges being £23 18s 4d deducted.

John Crouch & John Jackson severally took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

6th July 1731 LLC 6

The Articles transmitted to this Court by Mr Thomas Barker between this Company & Robert Myddelton Esq were read & approved with some alterations. And It was accordingly ordered that the same should be sent down to be executed.

Robert Thornton, Richard Rose and Thomas Taylor severally took the oath, and George Mayor took & signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

13th July 1731 LLC 6

Resolved

That twenty pounds per annum be added to the salary of the present secretary Thomas Usher, he being accountable for the profits arising from the transfers from Christmas last.

John Agar took & signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

20th July 1731 LLC 6

300 pieces of Newcastle lead sold to William Stratton weighed 23 ton 0 cwt 1 qtr 3 lb. at £13 5s per fother £304 18s 9d.

Edmund Bluncket took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

3rd August 1731 LLC 6

The mines at Winster Liberty under Jethro Norman, the mines of Trelogan, Maeslygan, and the Workhouse at Gadlis under the direction of Thomas Barker were to be examined by Mr William Foster and Mr Edmund Stevens in the company of Abraham Watson.

10th August 1731 LLC 6

Upon reading Mr Thomas Barkers letter of the 6th inst. relating to Mr Wimpews having shipped 2 casks onboard of Nash from Chester which contains Calcined Calamine, Copper, and Lead Slags, and also ore and lead; supposed to be embezzled from the Companys works. Therefore the Committee of Accounts are desired to make such enquiry and to take such measures as they think proper to secure the same.

31st August 1731 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weight of 1 ingot of silver, 50 lb. 9 oz 10 pw 14 gr. Standard. Value £157 9s 0d.

Thomas Wimpew attending the Court for to know their pleasure if he is to be continued or not in their service.

Resolved that the said Thomas Wimpew was discharged from the Companys service by Anthony Barker as per his letter dated the 12th July last.

The Administration of John Grosvenor in the Court of Coventry & Lichfield dated 1st October 1726 on the effects of Archibald Grosvenor deceased. And the said John Grosvenor's letter of attorney to Edward Mountfort of Walsall in the County of Stratford, dated 24th June 1731 were read ordered & entered.

Mary Pearless & George Reynolds severally took the oaths, & James Chorley & Samuel Scott severally took & signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

7th September 1731 LLC 6

Alderman John Salter Esq, Edward Mountfort, & Joshua Russell severally took the oaths, & Hannah Bella Biggins, Gulielmia Biggins & Archibald Maxwell severally took & signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

14th September 1731 LLC6

Warrants were given Mr Joseph Freame the Company Banker.

To John Nash or bearer £28 2s. in discharge for 46 tons of Calamine, 20 tons of lead, 18 casks of Bone Ashes & 3 iron pipes shipped on board the Thomas & Mary from Chester.

To Roger Beilby or bearer £30 4s 6d in discharge for 46 tons of half lead shipped on board the Endeavour from Wales.

Resolved. That Capt. John Werry be added to the Committee of Trade & Correspondence.

The treasurer reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver, 94 lb. 11 oz 10 pw 9 gr. Standard. Value £294 7s 6d.

An Indenture bearing the date of 7th May 1731 between the Patentees for Licensing a Fire Engine at Trelogan in the County of Flint and this Corporation was read & approved.

Ordered. That the common seal of this Corporation be affixed to the Counterpart thereof. Which was done accordingly.

A warrant was given Mr Joseph Freame the Company Banker; to Ezekiel Trengrove for £105 for the above Licence granted by the Patentees for a fire engine to be erected at the mine called Trelogan, bearing the date 7th May 1731.

John Glover, John Adlam took the oath & Benjamin Sterry signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

23rd September 1731 LLC 6

William Hulls, Henry Robinson, Paul Daranda and John Dorset severally took the oaths, & Joseph Fook took & signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in Open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

Thursday the 23rd September 1731 LLC 38

A General Court

Resolved that a Committee should be appointed to employ an able Attorney to draw into proper Query's such of the facts contained in the reports made to this Court the 20th May last. ...Mr Jno Knight, Mr Simeon Warner, Mr Cornelius Mason and Mr John Tatnal were to form this committee.

The General Account of the Company's affairs was read.

Gentlemen

Your Court of Assistants have drawn up the present state & condition of the Company's affairs, on purpose to give the Court the utmost satisfaction passible & to acquaint you with the reason why we declared no dividend at Midsummer last, nor since. We sent down three of our members last month to view our works in Derbyshire, and Wales, who are returned and report to us. That the prospects are sufficiently encouraging. But the charges have been and still are so heavy they render us unable to make any dividend out of our present profit. For in January last the old level at Trelogan fell in, which stopped all working there and cost near one thousand pounds before it could be cleared again. And there is now the fire engine, double low level, fresh shafts and other necessary works carrying on there, at a great expense, in order to work that mine effectually which we are well satisfied will pay us when completed with considerable advantage.

We have been likewise under some difficulty at several other mines though not so large which we hope will be quickly over. At Llang y nog we had the 25th of last month about 800 Tons of ore in partnership with Esquire Myddelton, the landlord thereof; but it lies so far from our workhouse and all land carriage, that we are obliged in cooperation with Esquire Myddleton to be at the charge of erecting a new one at Benthall upon the River Severn, before we can make that ore into lead which both increases our expense and occasions that stock to lye dead upon our hands.

We hope as soon as the fire engine is completed and got to work our smelting house &c. built, the furnaces in use and the men settled we shall be able to make a dividend half yearly. We have good reason to believe that six months will complete the several particulars above mentioned and that the Spring will give fresh vigour to your affairs and put them into a thriving condition.

And further we assure you that after the strictest search into the present and former state of your works and accounts tis our firm opinion the Company affairs are now in much better condition than they have been for several years past.

The report of the members visit to Derbyshire and Wales was read through.

Gentlemen

We set out from the Company's House in Ingram Court on Thursday the 12th of August at six in the morning and reached Derbyshire 15th at five in the evening. The 16th we got to our agent Jethro Norman at Winster. 17th & 18th viewed the works there, where we found the miners had been working at the two shafts agreed to be sunk last year; Viz. first in Bank Pasture and the second between Clark's and Sellers Long Tors. But by reason of the exceeding hardness of the rock they could not be perfected as was expected, but by the situation of the place & work already done together with an assurance of some ore & an expectation of a pretty deal when these shafts & some other drifts are perfected to air the works already in being. Abraham Watson our agent in the north and Thomas Barker as well as Jethro Norman were of opinion that if we should at present throw them up without completing the tryal we should detriment both our honour and interest according to the best rules of mining wherefore we ordered the prosecution to be as vigorous & expeditious as possible.

Friday the 20th in the evening we reached Gadlis & viewed the Workhouse &c. The 21st went to Trelogan where Mr Foster, Mr Barker & Mr Watson went down a part of it called the Isle of Man, which is towards the West Forefield of the North string or vein, this work has been very hard & poor for many yards but at or near the forefield at 40 yards depth is much kinder & has good ore from 4 to 15 inches thick. When the workmen took the Bargain at Midsummer at £3 ton no ore in sight but they & we now get money by it. As this part of the vein is but lately come in can the less tell how much may be depended on it. Abraham Watson

likes it well & some ore is raised at several other shafts here from £3 to £3 10s but no great quantity being only picking stralches above the old level.

The New level goes on well having driven 70 yards since the 12th March last it wants about 430 yards of the Windmill (or fire engine) shaft. The new shaft in Quitiartien du is already sunk 50 yards & will be of very great service to us if we can get it low enough for the level which we expect here at about 70 yards deep.

On our return to Gadlis we called at Garegg where we found about 12 tons of very fine ore on the Bank which Thomas Barker told us was got near the top of the vein at about 30 yards deep & the soil & symptoms in the opinion of Abraham Watson very likely. We are now sinking another shaft to unwater this & parallel vein. This field being full of water in winter has hitherto hindered our fully proving the likely tryals here.

The Engine shaft was in gravel and watered much when we were there, but on Monday evening had account that the shale was come in at about 21 yards deep.

We also called at Peny-Ball Lane mine (near Holywell) where we have been trying for the forefield of a vein which has proved well in your fields above us & were just come to a Shack & some Spar which hope will soon lead to the said vein.

22nd We spent great part of the day in examining into the former account of Trelogan & found that in the years 1724, 1725, 1726 the net profits of that work (including smelting) amounted to near £8000 per annum and very largely for several years before. We also examined into Thomas Barker's old unsettled accounts who had got 'em into good forwardness & promised to bring them to London by Michaelmas next when he said he purposed to surrender his employment to the Court, pleading his ill state of health incapacitated him to act any longer in the station of the Company's agent.

23rd We went to Maeslygan where William Pardon and Mr Watson went down and found the ore in several places from 6 to 16 inches wide. But as the water falls but slowly in the soles, they can neither work nor raise ore so fast as was expected. Yet Abraham Watson is of opinion that the vein will be very good when got deeper into it. He having viewed the Pentre Partners adjoining work, observed the strong ore according to the dip of the vein is much under our present soles.

From hence we went to Moel y gaen which has been sore watered over since last year. We are now got into the chirt & last week discovered a Swallow which we hope when cut into a little will take off our water charge & that we shall soon discover the vein & be raising ore at about 40s per ton.

At a small distance we went to Moel y Crio where Mr Watson went down the Engine shaft which is 80 yards deep. Here we are come to a very kindly sticking in driving 8 yards east which hope will prove a leader to the vein. Our lowest soles eastward not being above 64 yards deep this shaft will unwater them all.

Here are several places will be wrought to good profit. One at a depth of about 50 yards we hope will turn out well at 30s per ton. In the east end of our workings have one Bargain at £3 per ton above the water which is expected will this quarter raise about 8 tons.

Hence we went to Old Rake where have 7 Bargains one which another at £3 per ton which may raise this quarter about 3 or 4 tons per week having some ore at all the several tryals.

Rawley's Rake has turned out well of ore last quarter and this where we saw some very good ore at the Engine shaft & are told it will raise between 50 & 60 tons from this time to Michaelmas next about 50s per ton from nine such bargains.

Hence we went to our Coal Work, which has raised a great quantity of coals this summer & from Lady Day to this time has cleared about £140. We are assured by Thomas Barker our coal is much better than what other smelters use & 2s per ton cheaper when delivered so that were the coals charged as we must have paid, had we bought them elsewhere the profit would have been considerably more.

At our mine called Silver Rake we are sinking a shaft to make full trial of a kindly leader. At Tumaen are driving at about 30 yards deep for trial of the vein, have some lumps of ore in good soil.

At Grangew Tenement do very little.

Pwlltumpathog Llwynycasin & Cornelcae & Red Dog Penyfoddnwith & Holway stand.

Maesvelin (a mine in partnership with Mr Wynne) proves hard & wet but Mr Wynnes Agent gives us hope twill fall on a string that appears in their ground.

24th We went to Llang y nog of which Mr Abraham Watson upon his going down & through it says, tis now wrought near 20 yards deep from the top of that part of the vein next adjoining on the east to the Duke of Powis's liberty & has produced very handsomely of ore for near 40 yards in length the vein gradually dipping to the west & hading to the north, now at the deepness of about 56 yards from the surface, seems to narrow in the soles, but upon cutting cross to the north there appears the top of a fresh bed with firm ore, as also a north string setting downwards both which give expectation, that in a few yards more sinking to the Random of the Duke's rich beds so very near & which apparently dip into the Company's ground, the ore will hold much the same as that in the Duke's Liberty, the vein being still made up of Spar, soil and other good appearances & even ore at present along the soles & north side, that have produced last quarter Account near 200 tons of ore, in their regular way of working that Groove, which they have in good mining order.

Thomas Barker gives the following Account of the stock of ore of the work

	Tons
Aug ^t 20th 1731 Carried ready dressed to Llandrinio by the Severn Side 12 miles from the mine	170
Ready dressed at the mines about	180
Aug ^t 25th 1731 Undressed at the mines & cut under ground about	<u>150</u>
Total	800

25th We went to Chirk Castle & after doing the necessary with Esquire Middleton we set out from thence to London, the 26th in the morning, reached there the 31 while the Court was sitting.

Upon the whole we verily believe the Company's affairs are in better condition than they have been for some years past.

The following proposition being made to the Court Viz.

That the Court of Assistants are hereby empowered to purchase at market as often as they shall think proper any number of shares not exceeding in the whole sixteen hundred, on the best terms they can not exceeding fifteen pounds per share, and that the said shares be transferred as they shall be bought into the name of the "Governor and Company for Smelting Down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal" to remain for the sole use and benefit of the same at the disposal

of a General Court and not otherwise. And if the said Court of Assistants should want money for the purchasing of the said shares, it is further resolved that the Court of Assistants are hereby authorised & empowered to borrow upon the Seal of the Company from time to time such sums of money as to them shall appear necessary, so as not to exceed in the whole sum of ten thousand pounds.

And at the next ensuing General Court an account to be laid before the Proprietors of what shall have been done in pursuance of these resolutions.

Resolved. That the said proposition be referred to the Court of Assistants to consider thereof.

Resolved. That the Qualification of 60 shares to be a Governor of 50 to be a Deputy Governor & of 40 to be an Assistant of this Corporation as agreed to by the minutes of this Court of 19th November last be amended by the said minute below.

That in all future elections no person shall be a Governor of this Company who has not sixty shares or upwards in his own name & right. A Deputy fifty shares or upwards in his own name & right. Nor an Assistant who is not possessed of forty shares or upwards in his own name & right. And that the method of discovering such facts be left to the Court of Assistants for the time being.

28th September 1731 LLC 6

The following Warrants ere given Mr Joseph Freame the Company Banker.

To Joshua Crosbie £2 15s in discharge for freight of 110 pieces of lead shipped on board the Samuel and Elizabeth from Newcastle.

To Joshua Tomlinson £21 in discharge for three 12 foot and three 18 foot Elm pipes, containing 30 yards at 14s per yard for the use of Trelogan mine.

Samuel Stanley & John Rainford severally took the oath appointed by the Charter, before the Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

To Grace Carpenter £6 6s in discharge for half a years rent for the office in Bartholomew Lane due 1st March last.

12th October 1731 LLC 6

108 pieces of lead 18 ton 0 cwt 3 qtr 22 lb. had been shipped for the United East India Company being part of the 100 fother sold them at £13 4s per fother.

19th October 1731 LLC 6

Paid William Hodgson £15 in discharge of Half a Years rent for the lead mines held at Priorsdale & Tyne Head in the County of Cumberland due at Michaelmas last.

30 ton 3 cwt 24 lb. of lead had been delivered to Mr Henry Bowater.

£12 12s paid to John Websterbane for 4 coils of 3 1/4 inch tarred rope shipped to Jeremiah Hunter at Newcastle for the use of the Company's works in the North.

Richard Diamonds letter of Attorney to Samuel Wilson of Pudding Lane dated 27th September 1731 was read & approved and ordered entered.

Obadiah Wicks & William Barksdale took the oath & Sarah Hopkins took and signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Governor in open Court, and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

2nd November 1731 LLC 6

70 ton 0 cwt 1 qtr 17 lb. (£958 19s) had been shipped for the East India Co part of the order for 100 fother.

9th November 1731 LLC 6

This Court having considered the necessity there is for a capable person to inspect their works in the North of England & elsewhere have agreed with Thomas Holwill of Bridgewater on the following terms.

1. That he shall forthwith go to the North & reside there for three months & follow & duly observe the directions he shall receive from this Court.
2. If the Company should not have occasion for him there during the said three months, then he shall go and spend the rest of his time in such place that the Court shall appoint him.
3. That he shall have £25 salary for the said three months.
4. As to any travelling charges or any other petty expenses that he may be at in promoting the Company's interest he leaves it to them to allow him what they think just & reasonable.
5. If upon tryal the Company shall think fit to further employ him, then he agrees to serve them in Ireland or any other place upon the same terms.
6. Tis agreed that he shall depart from his own house at or before the 23rd inst., and if he depart at or before that time his salary shall commence on the said 23rd inst.
7. And lastly the Court do agree to advance the said Thomas Holwill the sum of ten pounds of the said twenty five pounds.

Gerard Hatley took the oath appointed by the charter before the Governor in open Court, and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

23rd November 1731 LLC 6

Abraham Franco desired that he might have added 30 tuns of lead to the 140 tuns agreed last Thursday at the same price of £14 10s per tun. This was agreed.

Francis Burton, Nehemiah Farnier and Richard Hallam severally took the oath appointed by the charter before the Governor in open Court, and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

30th November 1731 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver, 139 lb. 1 oz 17 pw 1 gr. Standard. Value £431 7s 6d.

14th December 1731 LLC 6

Received £206 in full from James Creed for 51 ton 10 cwt of Calamy sold him at £4 per fother.

James Larks, took signed the declaration & Henry Marshal took the oath appointed by the charter before the Governor in open Court, and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

23rd December 1731 LLC 6

Edward Halsey, Mary Bocket took and signed the declaration in lieu of the oath & Mary Griffith & Ann Griffith took the oath appointed by the charter before the Governor in open Court, and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

4th January 1732 LLC 6

Henry Talbot Esq., took the oath appointed by the charter before the Governor in open Court, and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

6th January 1732 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor Deputy Governor & twelve Assistants.**

The following persons were duly elected Viz.

Mr Charles du Bois Governor

Mr John Freame Deputy Governor

Mr Matthews Beachcroft

Mr Thomas Boddington

Mr Sollom Emlyn
Mr Cornelius Mason
Mr Joseph Grove
Mr Lascells Metcalfe
Mr Edmund Stevens

Mr John Knight
Mr William Foster
Mr Simeon Warner
Mr Michael Russell
Captain John Werry

John Peele took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

6th January 1732 LLC 6

Mr John Freame took and signed the declaration in lieu of the oath as Deputy Governor, before the Governor in open Court, Mr Charles Du Bois took the oath in open Court as Governor, Mr Matthews Beachcroft, Mr Thomas Boddington, Mr Sollom Emlyn, Mr Cornelius Mason, Mr Edmund Stevens & Capt John Werry severally took the oaths in open Court before the Governor as Assistants. Mr William Foster, Mr Joseph Grove, Mr John Knight, Mr Lascells Metcalfe, Mr Michael Russell & Mr Simeon Warner severally took and signed the declaration in lieu of the oath before the Governor in open Court as Assistants, thereupon took their places at the board accordingly.

And also severally signed the following declaration:

I do hereby sincerely & truly declare that I have sixty shares in my own name & right in the Books of the Corporation for Smelting down lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal.

Charles Du Bois

I do hereby sincerely & truly declare that I have fifty shares in my own name & right in the Books of the Corporation for Smelting down lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal.

John Freame

We whose names are underwritten do hereby sincerely & truly declare that we have each of us singly forty shares in our own names & right in the Books of the Corporation for Smelting down lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal.

Matthews Beachcroft

Thomas Boddington

Sollom Emlyn

John Knight

Cornelius Mason

William Foster

Joseph Grove

Simeon Warner

Lascells Metcalfe

Michael Russell

Edmund Stevens

John Werry

Agreed that Mr Edmund Stevens, Mr Joseph Grove, Mr Thomas Boddington & Mr Matthews Beachcroft be a Committee of accounts for the affairs of this Company for the year ensuing or any three of this committee be a quorum.

Also agreed that Mr William Foster, Mr Michael Russell, Capt John Werry & Mr Sollom Emlyn be a Committee of Trade and Correspondence for the year ensuing or any three of this committee be a quorum.

11th January 1732 LLC 6

Ordered. That Mr William Foster, Capt John Werry and Mr Cornelius Mason, or any two of them be a committee to treat with the York Building Company about a cylinder and other appurtenances thereto, and have full power to purchase the same as they shall think fit, which if purchased that they take care to send it away to Chester as soon as possible.

Susannah Belch took & signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

18th January 1732 LLC 6

Agreement was made with the York Building Company about their 35½ inch cylinder and other Appurtenances.

	£	s	d
A Brass Cylinder 35½ inches diameter weight 32 cwt 13 lbs. at 11d per lb.	164	17	3
Two Chains belonging to the Plungers, Piston & Plugg Frame, weight 7 cwt at 3d per lb.	9	16	0
One piston	4	4	0
One Brass Regulator	4	4	0
One Great Y with Hanging Y and Long Y	3	3	0
One Eff		10	0
One Sinking Clack		12	0
One Snifting Clack		5	0
One Piston Clack & Injection cap		12	0
One Clack to discharge the steam without		6	0
	<u>£188</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>3</u>

A Probate of the last Will & testament of Ruth Stokes widow in the Parish of St Olive, Southwark, dated 23rd September 1731, was read, approved and entered.

Francis Mason took & signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

25th January 1732 LLC 6

The cylinder and Piston (and various Clacks) had been sent overland to Chester.

1st February 1732 LLC 6

A regulator of a fire engine, 1 bolt, 1 small chain, 1 large howk, 1 great Y with a hanging Y and long Y and 1 F and the Piston chain had been sent by ship to Gadlis.

8th February 1732 LLC 6

12 ton 6 cwt 0 qtr 27 lb. of lead was shipped for the United East India Company completing their order for 100 fothers.

Joseph Eardley & Thomas Holland severally took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

10th February 1732 LLC 6

Thomas Holwill was employed to inspect the mines in the North in the care of Abraham Watson, to reside there for 3 months receiving £25 for that time. He was to leave for the North on the 12th February, he received an advance of £10.

22nd February 1732 LLC 6

A bill of parcels for all the lead sold to James Creed was delivered to him amounting to £3298 5s 9d.

Also had delivered to Messrs Abraham & Jacob Franco a bill for lading and a bill of parcels of 1097 pieces of lead 170 ton 1 cwt 3 qtr 13 lb. shipped for Leghorn at £14 10s per fother

£2466 6s 11d

Med duty £36 8s 11d
Total £2502 15s 10d

14th March 1732 LLC 6

The treasurer reported the weight of 1 ingot of silver, 69 lb. 5 oz 2 pw 18 gr. Standard. Value £215 4s 6d.

William Kimpton took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

21st March 1732 LLC 6

Isaac Warner took & signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

Ordered. That maps be made of all the Company's mines on the large imperial paper drawn by one and the same scale to be pasted into a book for that purpose.

13th April 1732 LLC 38**A General Court**

The opinion of the Council upon the case stated from the Report of The Committee relating to the maladministration of the late Governor & Assistants & the case it self being read the Court came to the following resolutions.

Resolved. That the persons concerned in the transactions in the said case complained of or the representatives of those deceased be forthwith proceeded against in the most effectual manner by the advice of Council.

Resolved. That it be referred to the Governor, Deputy Governor, & Assistants for the time being to direct the said intended prosecution.

Resolved. That all books & papers which contain matters or things relating to the transactions complained of be locked up forthwith by the Court of Assistants.

Resolved. That two General Courts at least beside the General Court of Elections be called every year & that the By Laws be read at each of the two General Courts called for.

The Secretary read the account of the Company's affairs.

Gentlemen

Upon looking into the minutes of the last General Court we find two matters referred to us. The one relating to the purchase of shares for the Company's use. The other to the making a provision that no person should hereafter be admitted into the Court of Assistants but should be possessed of the requisite number of shares in their own right as well as in their own names.

As to the first of these. We are sensible that it might have been much to the Company's advantage to have purchased in any considerable quantity of shares especially at the low price they have been brought to through the Artifices of ill designing men. One of the fatal errors of late maladministration being the enlargement of your Capital by the selling of Maiden Shares, the reduction thereof could not but seem a natural recovery for that evil. But since the last General Court declined coming to any resolutions on that head & many of the said Court express their jealousy's & fears as if it might be made a stock jobbing business to serve the turn of particular persons we did not think it advisable to inter middle therein & the rather because it could not be done without taking upon credit a large sum of money which we were unwilling to do without the express directions of a General Court.

As to the other affair, your present Governor, Deputy Governor & Assistants did at their last election subscribe a declaration purporting that they were possessed in their own right of the number of shares respectively required of them & have formed an order thereon which the Secretary will read to you. That no person shall hereafter be admitted as Governor, Deputy Governor, or Assistant until he shall first have subscribed such declaration.

Gentlemen

We did at the last Court give you some grounds to hope your affairs were to be brought again into a flourishing condition. It is with satisfaction we can now tell you that we were not mistaken your mines yielding so large a produce that we doubt not but we shall be able to make a dividend in a short time.

And what adds to our satisfaction is that tho we cannot undertake for things of such a nature yet we have a fair & promising prospect that we shall be able to continue it.

We are firmly persuaded that no one who considered the state of your affairs at Christmas 1730 can wonder that there has been no dividend made since that time or think any blame thereof can be laid on your present Assistants who were obliged to apply the profits of your whole works to other more necessary uses. They found your Capital greatly increased & your cash well nigh drained several old debts standing out, your Works very much neglected & in ruinous condition and what added to the misfortune the water got an head & overflowed one of your most profitable works at Trelogan by reason whereof that work has in a manner stood still ever since. And tho your mines at Llangunnog turned out pretty well of ore yet it was destitute of a smelting house being remote from your other works and far distant from any market. These were the difficulties the Court of Assistants had then to struggle with which they hope they have now surmounted. They have cleared off old debts. They have purchased & set up a fire engine at Trelogan by which that valuable work proceeds to the great profit & advantage of the Company. They have built a smelting house for the convenient smelting the ore at Llangunnog which several articles have been a very considerable & extraordinary charge to the Company.

Your fire engine (at Trelogan) was finished and began to work about 3 weeks ago and with such success (as has exceeded expectation) in as much as it has already freed the mine of water several yards below it's soles and enabled your agent to set Bargains for raising ore at very easy rates. Your agent further informs us that the quality of ore in view fully answers his expectations and the assurance he has at any time given us.

Another of your mines called Rawley's Rake under the care of the same agent is of late greatly improved and turns out a large quantity of ore.

Your mines in Derbyshire have hitherto been carried on at several thousand pounds expense. But we have now great reason to hope from a late discovery of a very valuable vein of ore that you will be amply rewarded for the same.

Several of your mines in Wales and in the North of England not mentioned, as well as your Silver mines in Ireland are worked to advantage and some of them afford a very good prospect particularly that in Ireland.

18th April 1732 LLC 7

The Court in Pursuance of the last General Court took into consideration the affairs of the proceedings against the persons concerned in the Transgressions complained of &c.

Henry Forster & Anne Forster severally took oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

2nd May 1732 LLC 7

Paid Mr John Adam £27, in discharge of his bill of charges in drawing up a case between the Company & there late Assistants seeing Council thereon and his attendance &c.

Ordered that the secretary sign the Articles agreed on with Thomas Pickering, Accountant in Ireland.

Pursuant to the resolution of the last Court the Common Seal of the Company was affixed to their Answer to the amended Bill of George Moore.

Elizabeth Ball took oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

16th May 1732 LLC 7

Resolved that Mr Simeon Warner & Mr Cornelius Mason be and they are hereby requested to visit the Companys Works in Wales which they have accordingly agreed to.

976 small pieces of lead weight 73 ton 3 cwt 3 qtr 20 lb. at £13 2s 6d had been shipped at Parkgate for London for William Stratton. £960 13s 10d plus boatage £5 9s 6d is £966 3s 4d.

23rd May 1732 LLC 7

A letter of attorney from Samuel Beachcroft of Wandsworth, Surrey, Esq., to Matthews Beachcroft of Leaden Hall Street, London, Merchant, dated the 21st April 1732 was read approved and ordered to be entered.

Reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver:

					Assayed at the mint	Assayed at the Goldsmiths Hall
Ingot No 1	57 lb. 10 oz	10 pw	fine	better	14 pw	14 pw
Ingot No 2	57 lb. 1 oz	5 pw	fine	better	15 pw	15 pw 6 gr.

30th May 1732 LLC 7

The secretary reported that he had received for the 2 ingots of silver weight standard 123 lb. 0 oz 6 pw 19 gr. at 5s 2d per oz £381 7s 9d.

Reported the weight of lead sold and delivered to James Creed 50 ton 4 cwt 1 qtr 28 lb. at £13 5s is £665 9s.

2nd June 1732 LLC 7

Abraham Watson attended and gave us an account of the mines in the North and Scotland under his management.

6th June 1732 LLC 7

Reported the sale and delivery of 26 ton 0 cwt 3 qtr 12 lb. of lead to James Creed at £13 5s ton is £345 1s.

Thomas Downs took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

13th June 1732 LLC 7

A warrant for the payment of £377 was made out to John Ware for 20 fodder of Jeffrys lead ore at £15 fodder and 30 bings of Shildon lead ore at 51/6 per bing that had been bought from him.

Ordered. That Esq Mydoelions lease of the mine at Langunog be delivered to Thomas Barker tomorrow morning.

20th June 1732 LLC 7

£222 7s 2d had been received for an ingot of silver weighing 71 lb. 8 oz 14 pw 12 gr. standard at 5s 2d per oz.

Sold Messrs Hull & Ellill 80 tons of potters ore to be delivered at Gadlis at £9 15s per ton to be paid 30 days after delivery as usual.

27th June 1732 LLC 7

The draft of a Bill against the late Governors & Assistants prepared by the direction of the Committee for carrying on the lawsuit was produced and read And referred back to the said committee to be perused & signed by Council.

4th July 1732 LLC 7

Thomas Bradford signed the declaration & Edmund Peacock & John Mead took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

The Keys of the Iron Chest and doors are in the following persons hands, Viz. Mr John Freame, Mr William Foster, Mr Lascells Metcalfe, Mr Edmund Stevens has the key to the box of writings, and Mr Cornelius Mason the key of the Trundle.

11th July 1732 LLC 7

Sold James Creed Esq. all our lead that now is remaining at and that shall be brought to Newcastle this season of carriage from our several works in the North of England at thirteen pounds eleven shillings per fodder there to be delivered to Alderman Reah for the said James Creed who is to pay Jeremiah Hunter £200 the 28th inst. and £300 the 14th August next in part and at Michaelmas next all the lead that shall be delivered is to be then paid for and whatever shall be delivered after that time to the end of the season of carriage to be paid for thirty days after the weighing, either in money at Newcastle or in Bills at 30 days date here in London at the Company's option.

18th July 1732 LLC 7

Paid to Thomas Usher or bearer £24 6s 11d in discharge for 135 bushels of bone ashes, casks & shipping charges consigned to Jer Hunter, Merchant, in Newcastle for the use of the Company's works in the North of England.

Anne Emelie took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

25th July 1732 LLC 7

Thomas Russell took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court and thereupon was admitted a member of this Company

Sold to James Creed all the lead that shall be smelted at Benthall Workhouse and sent to Bristol between this and the 30th November at £12 15s ton at Bristol.

22nd August 1732 LLC 7

35 ton 11 cwt 3 qtr at £12 15s per ton, £453 14s 9d had been shipped from Bristol to James Creed.

Joseph Knight took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

29th August 1732 LLC 7

The secretary reported that he had received for 2 ingots of silver, 142 lb. 8 oz 7 pw 14 gr. at 5s 2d per oz, £442 7s 4d, and for 2 ingots more 120 lb. 8 oz 7 pw £374 3s 1d, weight standard.

Hopton Haynes took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

5th September 1732 LLC 7

James Blondel the Gadlis accountant had his salary augmented by £10 per annum for his additional trouble of receiving the money from the collectors of Excise and keeping the Company cash.

12th September 1732 LLC 7

Ann Brownwell took the oath and Samuel Wilson signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

19th September 1732 LLC 7

The secretary reported that he had received for an ingot of silver weighing standard, 58 lb. 8 oz 1 pw 5 gr. at 5s 2d per oz, £181 17s 7d.

Hannah Wade took the oath and Robert Havers signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

3rd October 1732 LLC 7

Two casks of silver received from Abraham Watson were weighed, 351 1/2 oz; Ordered that the same be run into Ingot and carried to the Tower Mint to be coined as usual.

This Court having taken into consideration the proposal of James Creed Esq to purchase all the Company's lead that now shall be made at Gadlis between this and Christmas next. Have sold him the same at £13 5s per ton to be paid as follows.

By Bills to be drawn by Murrey & Company on James Creed Esq at three months date. Viz The first for the amount of 100 tons to be drawn upon notice given by our agent to the said Murrey & Company of this agreement. The second for the amount of one other 100 tons 14 days after the date of the first. And after that upon notice given of every other 100 tons that shall be ready the said Murrey & Company are to draw for the same till the expiration of the time.

10th October 1732 LLC 7

The secretary reported that he had received for 2 ingots of silver weighing standard, 115 lb. 2 oz 6 pw 8 gr. at 5s 2d per oz, £357 2s.

Gerard Hatley took the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

17th October 1732 LLC 7

£15 was paid to William Hodgson for half a years rent for the lead mines at Priorsdale and Tynehead in the County of Cumberland.

The secretary reported that he had received for an ingot of silver weighing standard, 61 lb. 11 oz 10 pw 12 gr. at 5s 2d per oz, £192 1s 6d.

24th October 1732 LLC 7

The Probate of the last will & testament of Richard Diamond of London, Merchant, but late of Camberwell dated 11 the September 1732 was read and ordered to be entered.

27th October 1732 LLC 7

The Committee appointed the 22nd Feb last to meet Capt. Joseph Hiscox to settle the debt due from Mr James Griffiths to this Company Report as follows. Viz.

That after much arguing upon every article of Mr Griffith's affairs they at last agreed and concluded with Mr Joseph Hiscox and Mr Silvanus Bevan on behalf of Mr James Griffiths in the following manner Viz.

That the whole debt, principal and interest to this day inclusive from Mr James Griffiths to the Company upon account of his 2/16 of the Silver Mines in Ireland is one thousand one hundred & ninety five pounds. £1195

That for the several services Mr Griffiths has done in Ireland and towards erecting the fire engine at Trelogan in Wales and all other services whatsoever to this day he should be allowed the sum of one hundred & thirty five pounds. £135

That Capt. Joseph Hiscox reporting he had purchased Mr Griffiths 2/16 of the Silver Mines in Ireland agrees on the behalf of the said James Griffiths to pay the sum of One thousand & sixty pounds. £1060

£1195

Which said sum of £1060 he promises to pay in a few days and bring with him Mr Griffiths assignment of his right & interest in the Silver Mines in order to have said 2/16 which stands in the Irish books in the name of the said James Griffiths transferred to the name of the said Capt. Joseph Hiscox.

The Rough draft of the agreement with the Pentre Partners was read and some alterations made therein.

31st October 1732 LLC 7

23 ton 2 cwt 0 qtr 22 lb. at £12 5s is £294 13s had been delivered to James Creed.

7th November 1732 LLC 7

The secretary reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver weight standard, 83 lb. 9 oz 8 pw 11 gr. at 5s 2d per oz, £259 17s 3d.

14th November 1732 LLC 7

Ordered. That Mr William Foster and Mr Cornelius Mason be desired to meet Mr Marples in order to deliver him the Articles of Agreement between this Company and the Pentre Partners for the erecting a Fire Engine at Maeslygen, together with the alterations and requests made by this Court.

21st November 1732 LLC 7

Mr William Foster and Mr Cornelius Mason reported they had waited on Mr Marples with the Articles of Agreement between the Company and Pentre Partners and he perusing the same promised to recommend them to the Derbyshire Gentlemen for their approbation.

Rachel Ball took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

22nd November 1732 LLC 7

Resolved

That it appears to this Court by the letters of William Pardon the Company's accountant in London, to Thomas Jones the Company's accountant in the North of England. That the said William Pardon hath been guilty of a misdemeanour in screening the faults of the said Thomas Jones from the Court of Assistants.

That it appears by the said letters that the said William Pardon has been guilty of a misdemeanour in diverting or endeavouring to divert the Committee of Accounts from looking into the said Thomas Jones accounts.

That it appears by the said letters that the said William Pardon has been guilty of a misdemeanour, in discovering the secrets of the Court of Assistants to the said Thomas Jones. William Pardon having confessed his faults and promised amendments for the future.

Ordered. That the said William Pardon be reprimanded by the Governor for the said faults. And he was reprimanded accordingly.

28th November 1732 LLC 7

Joseph Hyam signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

5th December 1732 LLC 7

The secretary reported the weight of 1 ingot of silver weight standard, 65 lb. 5 oz 6 pw 18 gr. at 5s 2d per oz, £202 17s 7d.

54 ton 12 cwt 3 qtr 2 lb. of lead at £12 15s is £696 12s 9d had been shipped at Bristol for delivery to James Creed.

James Fisher took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

12th December 1732 LLC 7

Peter Corto took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

Jonathan Micklethwait took the oath appointed by the charter before the Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

19th December 1732 LLC 38**A General Court**

Gentlemen

Your Court of Assistants have hitherto deferred the calling this General Court in hopes they should have been ready to have laid before you some of the affairs of consequence. But tho our utmost endeavours have not been wanting we have not been able as yet to accomplish them. And as the nature of them will not admit that they should be disclosed till they be finally concluded we must defer the same till the next General Court.

At your last General Court you were pleased to order a Suit to be commenced and carried on against some members of a former Court of Assistants. Accordingly a Bill has been filed in the Court of Chancery against them. Subpoenas served upon them and Council retained on behalf of the Company but as yet no answer to the Bill is come in.

There is another affair which we think proper to mention to you in relation to the Old Accounts of Mr Thomas Barker the Company's Chief Agent at Gadlis. Those accounts have been carefully looked into and examined. And it appears that from Christmas 1724 to Lady Day 1728 they are still unsettled. Your Court of Assistants have no reason to suspect Mr Barkers integrity and believe the accounts are honestly stated; but relating to transactions so long before our time we think it not proper to pass them without your approbation and consent. And since Mr Barker's ill state of health obliges him to quit the service of the Company he desires and we think it reasonable that he should have a general indemnification.

Gentlemen

You will naturally expect to receive some information of the state of your affairs. At present we can only assure you that they continue to answer the expectations formerly given you.

And are in such thriving condition as will in our opinion be able to afford you a dividend at Lady Day next, if not prevented by some unforeseen accident.

Two of the Court of Assistants have been deputed to visit your works in Wales & Derbyshire & upon their return made a report to us of their observations and proceedings.

The above report was read to the General Court.

Resolved. That the Court of Assistants do adjust & pass Mr Thomas Barker's accounts in such a manner as they shall think proper.

Resolved. That the Court of Assistants do thereupon give the said Mr Barker a general indemnification under the common Seal he doing such other act or acts as the said Court shall think reasonable

21st December 1732 LLC7

76 ton 8 cwt 0 qtr 6 lb. of lead at £12 15s had been shipped at Bristol for James Creed, £974 2s 8d.

26th December 1732 LLC 7

Thomas Dyer took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

4th January 1733 LLC 38**A General Court for electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and Assistants**

The following persons were elected

Mr Charles du Bois Governor

Mr John Freame Deputy Governor

Thomas Gordon Esq.

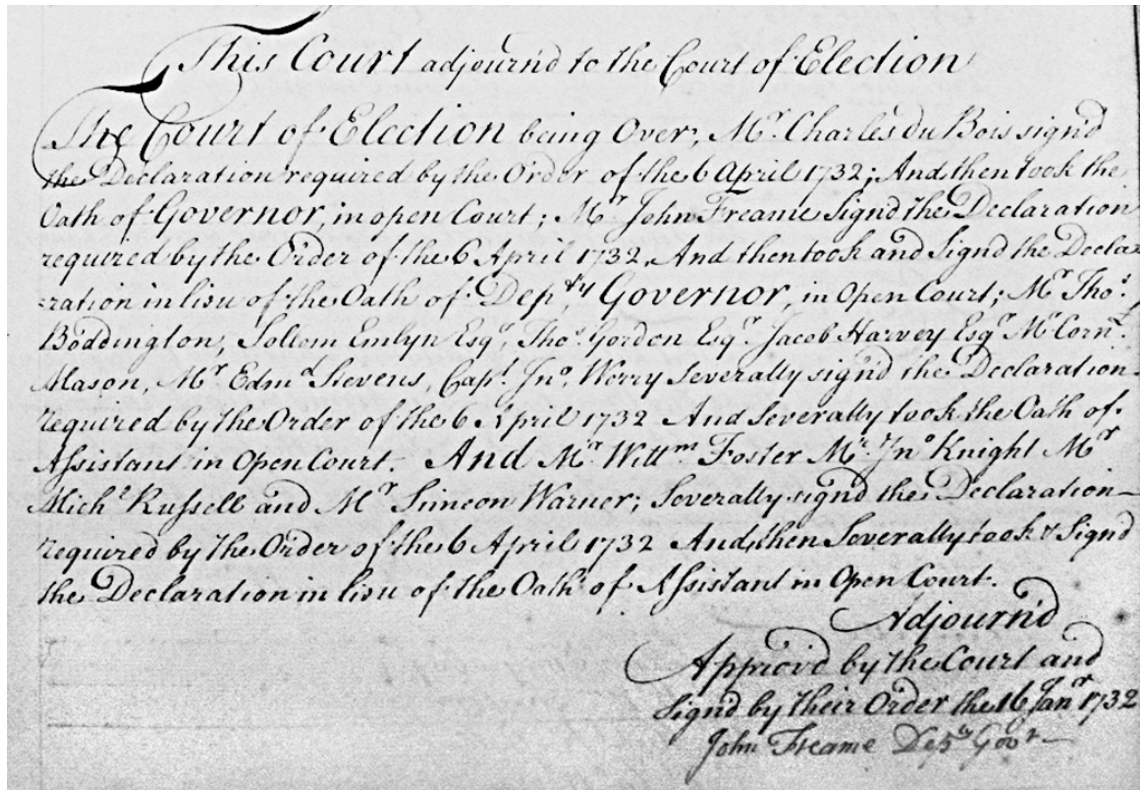
Mr Sollom Emlyn

Mr Thomas Boddington

Mr John Knight

Mr Cornelius Mason
Mr Joseph Grove
Mr Lascells Metcalfe
Jacob Harvey Esq.

Mr William Foster
Mr Simeon Warner
Mr Michael Russell
Captain John Werry



*This Court adjourned to the Court of Election
The Court of Election being Over, M^r Charles du Bois signed
the Declaration required by the Order of the 6 April 1732; And then took the
Oath of Governor, in open Court; M^r John Treame signed the Declaration
required by the Order of the 6 April 1732. And then took and signed the Decla-
ration in lieu of the Oath of Dep^y Governor, in Open Court; M^r Tho:
Boddington, Solomon Emblyn Esq^r, Tho^s Gordon Esq^r, Jacob Harvey Esq^r, M^r Corn:
Mason, M^r Edm^d Stevens, Cap^t Jⁿ Werry severally signed the Declaration
required by the Order of the 6 April 1732 And severally took the Oath of
Assistant in Open Court. And M^r Will^m Foster M^r Jⁿ Knight M^r
Mich^l Russell and M^r Simeon Warner; severally signed the Declaration
required by the Order of the 6 April 1732 And then severally took & signed
the Declaration in lieu of the Oath of Assistant in Open Court.
Adjourned
Approved by the Court and
Signed by their Order the 16 Jan 1732
John Treame Dep^y Gov^r*

Court of Assistants 4th January 1732 LLC 7

9th January 1733 LLC 7

The secretary reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver weight standard, 105 lb. 7 oz 19 pw 4 gr. at 5s 2d per oz, £327 10s 10d.

16th January 1733 LLC 7

The Deputy Governor this day signified that the circumstances of his affairs not permitting him to attend this Court & also the three Committees; he is willing to give his Attendance at the Committee of Trade & Correspondence. Which offer was accepted by this Court and thanks returned him.

20th January 1733 LLC 7

The secretary reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver weight standard, 105 lb. 2 oz 18 pw 1 gr. at 5s 2d per oz, £326 5s 0d.

Mr Thomas Barker signifying to this Court that upon taking the lease of surrender of Thomas & Elizabeth Parry, he did in order to induce the said Elizabeth Parry who was tenant for life to consent to the said lease, promised on behalf of the Governor & Company that when they should work the same to profit they would make a present of a nice piece of plate to Margaret Parry daughter of the said Elizabeth Parry.

And Whereas the same are now worked to good advantage it is Ordered. That Mr Thomas Barker do in pursuance of the said promise present to the said Margaret Parry now the wife of

one Wilson of Chester (*Margaret Parry married George Wilson, 14th September 1728, St Oswald, Chester*) on the behalf of the Governor & Company a purse with fifteen guineas to purchase a piece of plate with.

Mr Thomas Barker having reported to this Court what progress he had made in the Articles with the several Proprietors of the Coal Mines in Bagilt. And that Sir Thomas Hanmer the Lord of the Coal mines under the Wastes in Bagilt insisted on Duty being paid for the coals made use of in working the Fire Engine employed in raising the coals there out.

This Court took the same into consideration and desired Mr Thomas Barker to acquaint him that the Company is unwilling to perfect the said article, unless the said coals be duty free.

13th February 1733 LLC 7

30 ton 17 cwt 3 qtr 16 lb. at £12 5s is £395 3s 6d had been shipped to James Creed from Bristol.

6th February 1732 LLC 7

John Nichols signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

Resolved. That Thomas Gordon & Jacob Harvey Esq^{rs} are desired to be of the Committee for carrying the law suits against the late governors and assistants.

20th February 1733 LLC 7

The secretary reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver weight standard, 136 lb. 9 oz 1 pw 18 gr. at 5s 2d per oz, £423 19s 0d.

20th March 1732 LLC 7

The Probate of the last will & testament of Abel Wilkinson of Bugbrooke in the County of Northampton, Gentleman, dated the 8th February 1733, Executors Charles, James & Henry Wilkinson was read and allowed and ordered entered.

19th March 1733 LLC 7

The secretary reported the weight of 1 ingot of silver weight standard, 72 lb. 3 oz 18 pw 16 gr. at 5s 2d per oz, £224 4s 4d.

27th March 1733 LLC 7

Thomas Crisp Esq took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

30th March 1733 LLC 7

This Court having taken into consideration the Bill proposed in Parliament for Recovering & Preserving the Navigation of the River Dee, apprehend the same as it now stands to be injurious to the interest of this Company. Whereupon it was Resolved. That a petition be presented to the Honourable House of Commons that a clause be entered in the said Bill for the relief of the said Company.

Resolved. That the said petition be as follows.

To the Honourable, the Knights, Citizens & Burgesses of Great Britain in Parliament assembled.

The Humble Petition of the Governor & Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal.

Sheweth

That by a Bill now depending before this Honourable House, Intituled a Bill to recover and preserve the Navigation of the River Dee. It is proposed that from after the said River Dee shall be made navigable certain Duties or Rates of Tonnage should become payable to the

Undertakers on all Goods, Loaded or Shipt of within such parts of the said River, as are now made Use of by Your Petitioners.

That Your Petitioners do now convey their Lead, Ore, Litharge and Calamine to Bagilt Mark, lying upon the said River, from whence it is carried by Boats & Lighters to Parkgate. At present the safest Harbour for Ships within the said River Dee, and where the same is put onboard the Cheese Ships, which take it in as Ballast, to be conveyed to London.

That Boats and Lighters loaded with Lead can even at the Lowest Niep Tides go from Bagilt Mark to Parkgate, which are distant but about three Miles and for which the Freight or Boatage is now no more than One Shilling and Six Pence per Ton.

That the New Channel or Works of Navigation, are intended to reach to about Nine or Ten Miles below Chester & not to Bagilt Mark, which is near Twelve Miles from that City.

That when the said River shall be made Navigable The Cheese Ships will no longer harbour at Parkgate, but proceed to Chester, from whence the Navigation of the said River will be so far from being an Advantage to Your Petitioners, That on the Contrary, their Charge of Freight and Boatage of Lead on board the Cheese Ships will be increased from the necessity of Conveying the same in Boats or Lighters from Bagilt Mark as far as Chester.

Your Petitioners therefore; humbly pray this Honourable House, That a Clause may be inserted in the same Bill, to exempt them from paying any Tonnage whatever; or be heard by Council in relation to the said Bill, before the same shall pass into a Law.

Resolved. That the Common Seal of the said Company be affixed thereto.

3rd April 1733 LLC 7

Thomas Truly took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

17th April 1733 LLC 7

The Articles for Erecting a Fire Engine at Maeslygan and those for the Payment of the sums therein mentioned by Bache Thornhill Esq & Mr Mostyn in behalf of the Pentre Partners having been laid before the Court Mr Mason is desired to order them to be engrossed provided Mr Adlam on the perusal of the same shall advise thereto.

Mr Cornelius Mason reports, that he Jacob Harvey and Thomas Gordon Esq attended the Committee of the House of Commons to whom the Bill for Making the River Dee Navigable was committed. And after having spent much time there in procured to be inserted in the Bill the following Clause.

Provided always that nothing in this Act shall be construed to charge Lead, Litharge, Lead Ore or Calamine raised or made in the County of Flint, which shall be put on Board any Lighter or Boat at Greenfield or the Town of Flint, or anywhere between the said Places, in order to be put on Board any Ship or Vessel at Chester, or in the River Dee, outward bound, out of such Lighters, Boat or Boats unless after the River is made navigable the Navigation should be so commodious, that by Means thereof such Lead, Litharge, Lead Ore, or Calamine shall and may be put on Board such Ships and Vessels at Chester, or in the River Dee, six Pence per Tun cheaper from the several places where the same is raised & made, than it now is put on Board Ships and Vessels at Park Gate, in which Case it is hereby declared and enacted, That such Lead, Litharge, Lead Ore, and Calamine, shall pay Tunnage after the Rate of Six Pence per Tun, and no more.

24th April 1733 LLC 7

Mr Cornelius Warner & Capt John Werry are desired to hire a ship here for Chester to bring about 100 or 150 tuns of lead at the cheapest freight they can procure.

Mrs Prudence Hall desiring that the shares that are in her name in the Company Books may be transferred by her this day to which this Court consents.

The Probate of the last will & testament of Richard Rose Citizen & fishmonger of London dated 28th January 1732, Executor Mary Rose was read allowed and ordered and entered.

Mary Kent junr took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

The Engrossed lease between Sir Thomas Hanmer and the Company relating to the colliery at Bagilt in Flintshire was read and approved and the Common seal of the Company affixed to the Counterpart.

Ordered. That Mr Thomas Usher & William Pardon do carry the same to Sir Thomas Hanmer next Thursday morning at 11 Clock. And upon his executing the said lease to exchange Counterparts.

100 ton 3 cwt 1 qtr 17 lb. of lead had been delivered to William Stratton at £12 17s is £1289 13s 8d.

1st May 1733 LLC 7

Thomas Usher and William Pardon reported that they had exchanged the lease executed by Sir Thomas Hanmer, the Company's Counterpart as ordered by last Court relating to the Colliery at Bagilt, Flintshire.

John Newton, Phebe Corbin, Mary Jurin, John Price, Henry Sankey, John Ellit, George Smith, Susannah Mackins, Mary Ford, Frances Hegg, Elizabeth Bovingdon, John Cotton & Elizabeth Wilkinson, severally took the oath, and Thomas Emmott signed the affirmation in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

Ordered. That Thomas Usher pay the Widow Crell the dividend due to her brother Paul Crell on his 40 shares at Ladyday last being ten pounds.

8th May 1733 LLC 7

A letter of administration of John Miller of the Parish of St Mary Magdalene, Bermondsey, dated 2nd May 1732 Bennet Miller Administrator was read allowed and ordered and entered. And also the probate of the last will and testament of George Hunt of the Parish of St James, Westminster dated 25th November 1732, Mary Hunt Executor.

Thomas Eames, Edward Holland, Charles Pearce, Elizabeth Kitson, Mary Johnson, Ann Brown, Catherine Sherwood, Emlin Townsend and Thomas Whittaker, severally took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

17th May 1733 LLC 7

Isaac Poulden took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

22nd May 1733 LLC 7

Rebecca Archer, Thomas Sleigh, Richard Padley, and Mary Dentrey severally took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

Mr John Knight, Mr Simeon Warner, Thomas Gordon Esq., Mr Cornelius Mason, Mr William Forster and Mr Edward Stevens or any two of them are desired to confer with Mr James Blondel on the Company's affairs and if they shall think proper to wait upon John Myddelton Esquire relating to Langnogg mines, and also Baron Hilton Esq. member for Carlisle owner of some mines in Sunderland and also to make enquiry after sundry mines in Aldestone Moor late in the possession of the late Lord Derwentwater and report the same to the Court.

19th June 1733 LLC 7

The Probate of the last will & testament of Dorothy Wyatt dated 14th June, Executor Sarah Wyatt was read allowed and ordered and entered.

Capt John Werry reported that he had agreed with Thomas Bassett master of the ship Thomas & Elizabeth Burthen, about 60 tons, to sail from the River of Thames to Dublin and from thence to proceed to Parkgate after the rate of 13s per ton & if save boatage 14s.

Jane Maunde & William Ridge severally took the oath, and James Laurence signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

£401 5s was paid to Joseph Ware for Duty ore bought of his brother John Ware from Jeffrey's and Shildon mines.

26th June 1733 LLC 7

The Secretary Reported that he had been at the Register Office of the Court of Chancery and upon enquiry found that the Order of the 7th March 1732 in a cause between Isaac Minet Plaintiff and John Matson & others defendants, appointing the money due on the several shares belonging to Christopher Matson deceased should be paid to Robert Bunker of Dover, was Registered in the entry books of the said office; and a letter of attorney from the said Robert Bunker dated the 7th May 1733 to Henry Staniford was read allowed & ordered entered.

Job Purvis took the oath, and Ann Springham signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

3rd July 1733 LLC 7

A letter of attorney from Simon Edgell of the City of Philadelphia, Mertchant, to Benjamin Horne of the City of London, Merchant, dated 7 March 1732 was read allowed and ordered entered.

5th July 1733 LLC 7

A letter of Attorney from Henry Fraser and Ann his wife to Thomas Hansells of Greys Inn, London, Gentlemen dated the 20th September 1732, and another letter of attorney from the said Henry Forster and Ann his wife to the said Thomas Hansell dated the 8th February 1733 were read allowed and ordered to be entered.

The Probate of the last will & testament of James Wilkinson of Croydon in the County of Surrey dated 8 Feb 1733, Henry Wilkinson Executor, was read, allowed and ordered entered. Having read perused and approved the lease from Thomas Parry of Perthy Maen, Flintshire of all his lands in the Township of Trelogan to this Court for 31 years. Ordered. That the Common Seal of this Company be affixed to the Counterpart thereof.

William Bowen having agreed to supply the Company with Iron pipes as follows.

William Bowen of Marygold Stairs, do undertake to deliver for the use of the Governor & Company for Smelting down lead &c., onboard any vessel in the River Thames Iron pipes of any size & thickness and nine feet long and cleared within from wires & cores at 18s per hundred weight, of hundred and twelve pounds, and whatever quantity of them is desired for one or two fire engines shall be delivered within 3 months at furthest to after the sizes are therein delivered to me in writing. And I promise they shall be to the satisfaction of the fire engine manager employed by the said Company.

I also promise to deliver any pipes of 14 inch diameter or under truly bored within 3 months after they shall be bespoke at 28s per hundredweight.

12th July 1733 LLC 7

A Bond for Performing of Covenants between Thomas Parry of Perthry Maen in the County of Flint Gentleman in the sum of £1000 dated the 17 day of May 1733. Ordered that the Seal of the Corporation be affixed thereto which was affixed accordingly.

At the same time the Court read over the engross of assignment of a Mortgage & several leases from George Hope Esq & others. And also engrossed Deed of Covenants between the Lead Company and Anthony & Thomas Barker. Ordered that the Seal of this Corporation be affixed to one part of each of the said Deeds, and it was affixed accordingly. And also at the time received from Thomas Barker the Counterpart thereof and a General Release executed by the said Thomas Barker.

Whereas mutual General Releases have this day been executed between the Governor & Company and Mr Thomas Barker the Company's Chief Agent at Gadlis. And whereas at the time of executing the said releases it was doubtful what due from the said Governor & Company to the said Thomas Barker on Account of Mr Pennant's Tenements referred in the accounts of the 9th January last, which cannot be conveniently be sealed till some member of this Court can go down and view the premises. It was therefore this day agreed between the said Governor & Company and the said Thomas Barker that notwithstanding the said mutual Releases being executed the said Thomas Barker is to still receive from the said Governor and Company whatever shall upon settling the said affair appear to be due on that account. Ordered. That Thomas Barker have a copy of the above, attested by the Secretary. A Warrant was given Mr Joseph Freame & Co., the Company's Banker To Thomas Barker £140 in discharge of several allowances & disbursements for this Company.

Mr Thomas Barker gave a promissory note to the Gov. & Co for £500 due from him to the Gov. & Co with an endorsement thereon. Ordered that the secretary sign the said endorsement, which note and endorsement are as follows.

I promise to pay to the Governor & Company for Smelting down lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal the sum of five hundred pounds on the twenty fifth day of December next after the date here of witness my hand this 13 day July 1733.

Whereas the within sum of five hundred pounds due from the within named Thomas Barker to the within named Gov. & Co has been at his desire wrote off in two Articles Viz. One of four hundred and seventy one pounds seventeen shillings and the other of twenty eight pounds three shillings bearing date the 1st Article the 16th and the other 7th day March last from the account of the said Thomas Barker to the account of Robert Myddleton Esq deceased. Which said account of Robert Myddleton is not yet settled. It is hereby agreed between the said Gov. & Co and the said Thomas Barker, that if the said Thomas Barker shall at any time before the 25th December next deliver to the said Gov. & Co the receipts of the executors or administrators of the said Robert Myddleton or any of them for the said five hundred pounds or any other allowance of the said executors or administrators for the same the within note shall be void otherwise it shall remain in full force.

17th July 1733 LLC 7

Ann Moore signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

24th July 1733 LLC 7

James Swaine signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon was admitted a member of this Company.

21st August 1733 LLC 7

Mr Thomas Boddington delivered to the Court an Indenture of a lease dated 12th November 1719 between the Honourable John Montague Doctor of Divinity Dean and Chapter of Durham of the one part and George Mowbray of Allenheads in the County of Northumberland

and Jacob Peart in the County of Durham of the other part, of certain mines veins or Rakes of lead veins, within the Manor of Muggleswick in the County of Durham. Also an agreement dated the 11th June 1733 between said George Mowbray and Jacob Peart and Abraham Watson and Thomas Holwill in behalf of the Governor and Company for Smelting down lead &c. for the consideration of £50 to be paid to the said George Mowbray and Jacob Peart within 15 days after the 25th October next, are to sell, assign and set over the above lease with the Covenants therein mentioned.

The agreement dated 11th June 1733 to pay £50 to George Mowbray and Jacob Peart for the assignment of the lease in the Manor of Muggleswick in County Durham to the Governor and Company was approved and signed.

£1386 11s 4d had been received from James Creed for 105 ton 12 cwt 3 qtr 18 lb. of lead.

31st August 1733 LLC 7

Charles Little the Company agent in Scotland being about to quit the Company's service.

Resolved that Robert Redshaw be appointed to go there to look after the Company's affairs.

Mr Simeon Warner having informed the Court that there are to be sold by Mr Marriot the Manor or Lordship of Grinton in Swaledale Yorkshire and together with a grant from the Crown of all mines and veins of lead and also a smelting mill with utensils which he was of opinion might be of advantage to the Company to purchase at a reasonable rate.

It was resolved that Mr Simeon Warner, Mr Cornelius Mason and Mr Thomas Bodington be a committee to treat with Mr Marriot on the matter, and report back to the Court.

4th September 1733 LLC 7

John How and Margaret Breach severally took the oath appointed by the charter before the Deputy Governor in open Court & thereupon were admitted members of this Company.

The Committee appointed to sell 800 pigs of lead shipped at Newcastle, reported that they had sold the same to Mr James Creed at £12 12s 6d per fodder, the Company to pay Wharfage & portorage and he to pay Litherage & all other charges.

It was reported that Mr Hugh Marriot offered the mines and Royalties (in the Manor or Lordship of Grinton, in Swaledale, Yorkshire) together with the Burrough House Smelting House and all the utensils for £2,800.

Resolved to accept the proposal if it could not be obtained for less.

11th September 1733 LLC 7

The Committee appointed to purchase off Mr Marriott the Mannor and mines of Grinton in Swaledale, Yorkshire, report thwart they have agreed with Mr Hugh Marriott for the purchase of the same for the sum of £2625. And had signed a minute or memorandum for that purpose in the words following Viz.

It is to be remembered; That it was agreed this fifth day of September 1733, between Hugh Marriott of the Inner Temple, Esq on the one part and Mr Simeon Warner & Mr Cornelius Mason on behalf of the Company Incorporated by the name the Governor & Company for smelting down lead &c., on the other part. That the said Hugh Marriott for the consideration herein after mentioned should make unto the said Governor & Company, a good sufficient title in law to the Mannor of Grinton in Swaledale, Yorkshire, whereof the said Hugh Marriott is now seized in his Demesne of fee with the Smelting Mill and other Houses erected thereon, exclusive of the Houses and lands in the Parish of Grinton, parcels of the said Mannor now or lately let unto James Close & Nicholas Tomlin the tenants of the said Hugh Marriott at or under rent of fifty pounds a year or some lower rent. To hold the said Signory or Mannor with all Royalties & Privileges thereunto belonging to them the said Governor & Company and their successors for ever, in as ample manner as the said Hugh Marriott now enjoys the same, Except the afore said lands & houses which are to be and remain to the said Hugh Marriott his heirs & assigns for ever (anything in this present writing notwithstanding) Quitt free & discharged of & from all manner of Quitt Rents, or other Rents, duties or services whatsoever which might at any time be claimed by them the said Governor & Company their successors

or assigns as Lord of the said Mannor of Grinton. And it is further agreed that the said Hugh Marriott shall convey in like manner unto the afore said Governor & Company, one Borough House in the town of Richmond in Yorkshire, late in the Tenure and Occupation of Isabell Foster and now let to the tennant of the said Hugh Marriott to hold to them their successors & assigns for ever. And that the said Hugh Marriott shall assign over to the said Governor & Company a grant from the King under the exchequer seal all the mines & veins of lead found or to be found in the territories & fields of Grinton, Whiteside & Harkaside Parcel of the said Mannor of Grinton under restrictions and Covenants therein mentioned and all his estate right, title & interest to the said mines & veins by virtue thereof. And the said Hugh Marriott doth agree to bargain & sell unto the said Governor & Company all the work tools & other utensils of mining and smelting and smithy which he hath on the said premises, and the ore raised by him which has not before this present day been sent to the mill and all the slags.

And the said Simeon Warner & Cornelius Mason on behalf of the said Governor & Company do agree in consideration of the aforesaid sale and conveyance of the said premises well & truly to pay unto the said Hugh Marriott the sum of two thousand six hundred and twenty five pounds for the purchase of the said premises at this time of executing the said conveyance by him the said Hugh Marriott.

And it is further agreed that the said Hugh Marriott shall execute such conveyance as the said Governor & Company or their Council shall reasonably devise and make ready to be executed by him in such manner that the said Governor & Company may take possession of the premises hereby meant or mentioned to be conveyed on or before the twenty ninth day of this inst September.

Ordered. That the secretary do write to Mr Brookes to go forward with the cylinder of 36 inch diameter for Maeslygen.

18th September 1733 LLC 7

Robert Smith was appointed as an Agent or Book keeper for the works at Languog and Benthall at a salary of £25 per annum.

25th September 1733 LLC 7

William Stratton had paid £157 3s 9d for 12 ton 2 cwt 3 qtr 3 lb. of lead sold to him.

3rd October 1733 LLC 7

Reported that an agreement with Sir Thomas Hanmer and others for the working on reasonable terms a great coalwork situated near the River Dee about half a mile from Gadlis in which there is a five a three and a two yard coal esteemed the best in the Country affording much more than sufficient to supply your workhouse at Gadlis and all the fire engines at your several works and that for the carrying on the said work they have purchased and paid seven hundred pounds for a fire engine of 33 inch cylinder and are erecting another of 38. They have also agreed with the Pentre Partners for the erecting of a fire engine of 36 inch cylinder at Maeslygan which they doubt not will enable the Company effectually to work that valuable mine.

They have also purchased a lease of the mines in the Manor of Muggleswick in the Bishoprick of Durham and are in treaty for some others which they hope will prove to the advantage of the Company.

The mines and workhouses in Wales in the care of the Agent Anthony Barker were in a prosperous condition.

The Silver mines in Ireland were promising especially a new vein recently discovered by carrying on the Low Level.

The mines in Scotland called Wanlockhead, and that in Derbyshire called Watering Close, and that in Montgomeryshire called Llang y nog are all improved.

A dividend of 5 shillings per share was agreed.

4th October 1733 LLC 38

A General Court

Gentlemen

Your Court of Assistants beg leave to assure you that they had not thus long deferred the calling of a General Court but from a desire of having it in their power to acquaint you of the accomplishing some affairs of consequence hinted to you at the last General Court & which have all very lately been depending.

They can now with pleasure inform you that they have perfected & executed an agreement with Sir Thomas Hanmer & others for the working on reasonable terms a great Coal Work situated near the River Dee about half a mile from Gadlis in which there is a five, a three & a two yard coal esteemed the best in the Country affording much more than sufficient to supply your Workhouse at Gadlis & all the fire engines at your several works. And that for carrying on the said work they have purchased & paid seven hundred pounds for a fire engine of 33 inch cylinder and erecting one of 38. They have also agreed with Pentre Partners for the erecting of a fire engine of 36 inch cylinder at Maeslgen which they doubt not will enable the Company effectually to work that valuable mine.

Your Court of Assistants have also entered into Articles of Agreement for the purchase of a Manor & Lordship in Yorkshire with a grant from the Crown of the several mines therein for which the Company are to pay two thousand five hundred Guineas upon the conditions in the said agreement

They have also purchased a lease of the mines in the Manor of Muggleswick in the Bishoprick of Durham and are in treaty for some others which they hope will prove to the advantage of the Company.

Your Assistants can further assure you that your mines & Workhouse in Wales under the care of your agent Anthony Barker are in a prosperous condition.

That your Silver mines in Ireland afford a very promising prospect particularly from a new vein lately discovered by carrying on the Low level.

That your mine in Scotland called Wanlockhead that in Derbyshire called Watering Close & that in Montgomeryshire called Llangunnog are all improved since they had the pleasure of meeting you last.

They had further to acquaint you that some of your Assistants have lately visited your works in the North whose report made to us your Secretary will read to you if it be your pleasure.

As to the Law Suit depending between this Company & their late Assistants, we are to inform you that several answers of all the defendants in the said Suit have for some time been brought in & since abbreviated & laid before Council for his opinion as to what steps should be next taken from whom we expect a speedy answer.

Your Assistants have examined into the state of the Company's cash, stock of ore, lead &c., & agree that notwithstanding the aforesaid purchase & debts paid in the North your affairs will admit of a dividend of 5 shillings per share.

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made for the half year ending at Michaelmas last.

A fire engine of 36 inch cylinder was to be erected at Maeslygan which would enable them to effectually work that valuable mine.

Articles of agreement had been reached for the purchase of a Manor and Lordship in Yorkshire with a grant from the Crown of the several mines therein for 2,500 guineas.

The lease of a mine in the manor of Muggleswick in the Bishoprick of Durham was purchased.

The mines and workhouses in Wales under the care of their agent Anthony Barker were in a prosperous condition.

The Silver mines in Ireland were promising particularly a new vein lately discovered by carrying on the Low Level.

The mines in Scotland called Wanlockhead and that in Derbyshire called Watering Close and that in Montgomeryshire called Llang y nog were all improved.

A report on the mines in the North was read but not commented upon.

A dividend of five shillings per share was made on the half year ending Michaelmas last.

16th October 1733 LLC 7

Margaret Williams took & signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter & was thereupon admitted a member of this Corporation.

30th October 1733 LLC 7

5 cakes of silver from Newcastle and 17 cakes of silver and 22 oz 3 pw 5 gr. of broad gold sent from Gadlis had been delivered by William Pardon to the Company's house.

James Creed had paid £397 13s for 30 ton 8 cwt 1 qtr 3 lb. of lead, also delivered to James Creed 30 ton 2 cwt 1 qtr 8 lb. of lead value £393.

13th November 1733 LLC 7

William Pardon reported that he had paid William Jackson master of the Good Intent, £9 10s for the freight of four hundred pieces of lead from Newcastle & Richard Baxter master of the Industry £8 for the freight of four hundred pieces of lead from Newcastle, both which parcels had been landed at Mr Creeds wharf as per receipts but neither of them as yet charged to the account of the said Creed, William Pardon not having received the weights thereof.

That he had received of James Creed Esq two notes under his hand dated the 8th inst one for £388 13s 8d in discharge of 400 pieces of lead from Newcastle payable one month after date. The other £393 dated the 8th inst in discharge of 30 ton 8 cwt 1 qr 3 lb lead delivered to Mr Murray at Chester payment in two months.

Mr Mason reported that he had sold 30 or 40 tons of round ore to Messrs Hall & Ellill for £10 1s per ton to be delivered to Mr Prescot & son at Chester.

The letters of Administration of Charles Barker Nephew to John Rose annexed to the wills of John Rose were shown to & approved by the Court.

Ordered. That Charles Barker be permitted to receive the dividend of the said John Rose deceased & to act & do whatever he thinks proper with the shares of the said John Rose.

Resolved

That a present of £100 be made by this company to Mr Thomas Barker the Company's late agent at Gadlis for the many useful services which he has done for the Company both during his agency and since.

20th November 1733 LLC 7

William Pardon reported that he had paid David Ramsey, Master of the Constant Jane, from Newcastle £7 10s for the freight of 300 pieces of lead and that he had delivered, an invoice & bill of parcels at Mr Creeds Counting House for 140 tons 6 cwt 2 lb of lead in the Prosperous John, John Burton master. And 20 to 4 cwt 2 qr 1 lb of lead in the William & Sarah, William Brooker Master. Total 160 ton 10 cwt 2 qtr 3 lb. of lead value £2106 17s 4d.

4th December 1733 LLC 7

£2690 8s 3d had been received from James Creed for lead sold to him.

6th December 1733 LLC 7

The lease of certain Coalworks at Bagilt, Flintshire & lands belonging to Mr David Parry let the Company for 50 years commencing from 29th September 1732 was this day read & approved. The Common Seal of the Corporation was affixed

Also the Articles of Agreement between the Pentre Partners & this Company relating to the Fire Engine were read but the affixing of the Seal thereto was suspended in expectation of the Company gaining a longer time for erecting the said Fire Engine.

Thomas Usher Secretary having for several weeks past absented himself & not attending according to the order of the Court by their letter to him of the 4th inst.
Resolved. That a message be left with his wife for her to acquaint him that the Court will dismiss him their service the next Court day if he does not then attend them.

11th December 1733 LLC 7

Resolved

That Thomas Usher the Company's secretary having for a considerable time absented himself from the Company's service & wilfully avoided all means of access from any of the Court of Assistants & in particular have refused obedience to the order made last Court for his attendance this day be dismissed the Company's service & he is hereby dismissed accordingly.

Resolved

That notice hereby be forthwith given in some of the public papers as follows

Whereas Thomas Usher late secretary to the Governor & Company for smelting down lead with pit coal & Sea coal is dismissed the said Company's service this is to give notice of the same to the Proprietors of the said Company & all others whom it may concern.

Resolved

That William Peadon do forthwith go to the Tower & take care that the Silver now in the Tower & whatever shall for the future be sent thither on the Company's Account be entered in the name of the Governor & Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal.

Daniel Smith took and signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter & was thereupon admitted a member of this Corporation.

A Probate of the will of Thomas Glover gentleman of St George's Bloomsbury, to which Mrs Susan Glover, mother to the said Thomas Glover is appointed executrix was shown & approved by the Board

13th December 1733 LLC 7

The secretary reported the weights of 2 ingots of silver weight standard, 93 lb. 6 oz 5 pw 14 gr. at 5s 2d per oz, £289 18s 5d.

13th December 1733 LLC 38

A General Court

The Governor acquainted the Court that the Court of Assistants for the better regulation of and inspection into every particular of the Companys affairs had divided themselves into three several subcommittees each of which reported their observations & proceedings to the Court of Assistants who now desired the Ratification of this Court for the several allowances to the Governor, Deputy Governor, Court of Assistants and the three subcommittees for their respective attendances.

Resolved. That the said allowances be as follows Viz.

To the Governor £25 per annum

The Deputy Governor £12 10s. per annum.

To the Court of Assistants £2 16s each meeting

To the Committee of Trade and Correspondence £1 4s each meeting

To the Committee of Accounts £1 4s each meeting

To the Committee of Mines & Workhouses £1 4s each meeting.

Then the Governor ordered the advertisement of the Court of Assistants dated the 11 and inserted in the Daily Journal of the 12 instant relating to the discharging Thomas Usher their late Secretary from their several services to be read & also one of the said Thomas Ushers in the same paper upon which several reasons were assigned by the Court of Assistants both for their discharging & public advertising the said Thomas Usher.

20th December 1733 LLC 7

£1442 19s 3d had been received from James Creed for 110 ton 6 cwt 3 qtr 12 lb. of lead at £13 1s ton.

The Committee appointed to meet Mr Myddelton reported their conference with the said Gentleman upon which the Court.

Resolved

That a letter be wrote to the said Mr Myddelton to acquaint him that the Company will remit for him the sum of three thousand pounds from Christmas 1733 to Christmas 1734.

The Articles of the Water Agreement between the Duke of Powis John Price executor to Robert Myddleton Esq, John Myddleton Esq and the Governor & Company for drawing the water at Llangunnog mine were this day read & the Common Seal affixed to the three parts thereof one of which to remain with the Duke one with Mr Myddleton and one with the Gov. & Co., which said three parts are executed by the said Duke, John Myddleton Esq., and the Company & are delivered to Thomas Barker to be sent into the Country to be executed by Mr Price abovementioned.

Also the Articles of Agreement between the Pentre Partners & the Company relating to the erecting of a Fire Engine at Maeslygen & drawing the water of both mines had the Common Seal Affixed to be delivered to the said Pentre Partners.

The Common Seal was also affixed to the Counterpart of Mr Thornhill, Doctor Griffiths & his wives Covenant for paying the annual sum upon account of the Pentre Mine which said deed was delivered to Mr Mason to deliver to the said party's if required.

Mr Barker paid in a Bill drawn by Mr James Baker upon William Hart Esq & Sons for three hundred & five pounds 14s 4d dated 29th November at forty days date due 11th Jan next paid to his Grace the Duke of Powis & by him endorsed. On account of drawing water at Llangunnog.

24th December 1733

Resolved

That notice be given to the wife of Thomas Usher or any of the family to remove themselves out of this Company's House on or before the 1st January next, & that he brings or send the key of the desk in the transfer office on Friday next in the forenoon to the Court.

28th December 1733 LLC 7

Mr Boddington and Mr Warner are desired to wait upon Esquire Ord and treat with him about Ramshaw mine and Hunstanworth Liberty.

3rd January 1734 LLC 7

£1443 6s 7d received from James Creed for 2940 pieces of lead delivered.

3rd January 1734 LLC 38**A General Court of Election for Governor, Deputy Governor and Twelve Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected.

Mr John Freame Governor

Mr Cornelius Mason Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Thomas Boddington

Mr William Foster

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr William Hodgson

Mr Michael Russell

Mr Simeon Warner

Sollom Emlyn Esq.

Thomas Gordon Esq.

Jacob Harvey Esq.

Mr John Knight

Mr Edmund Stevens

Capt John Werry

8th January 1734 LLC 7

Thomas Gordon Esq signed the declaration required by the order of 6th April 1732 and also took the oath appointed by the charter as assistant for the year ensuing.

Mr Joseph Beachcroft took the oath appointed by the charter and was thereupon admitted a member of this Corporation.

Resolved That

Mr Thomas Boddington, Mr Edmund Stevens, Jacob Harvey Esq, & Mr Jacob Hagen, or any two of them be a Committee of accounts for the year ensuing.

Mr Simeon Warner, Mr John Knight, Thomas Gordon Esq, and Mr William Hodgson, or any two of them be a Committee of mines & workhouses for the year ensuing.

Mr William Foster, Mr Michael Russell, Capt John Werry, and Sollom Emlyn or any two of them be a Committee of trade & correspondence for the year ensuing.

Resolved

That the Deputy Governor & Mr Simeon Warner be desired to wait on Edward Wortley Mountague Esq., to treat with him about taking his mines at Wensledale.

11th January 1734 LLC 7

Mr William Hodgson signed the declaration required by the order of 6th April 1732 and signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the charter as assistant for the year ensuing.

William Pardon reported that he had delivered at Mr Creed's Counting House the invoice Bill of loading & Bill of parcels for 368 pigs of lead weight 40 ton 6 cwt 1 qtr 25 lb. value £526 4s 3d in the Mary, Jeremiah Pulford master.

15th January 1734 LLC 7

The question being put that the Secretary & Accountant to this Company be one & the same person it was carried in the negative.

The question being put that the salary of the Secretary be eighty pounds per annum & no more it was carried in the affirmative.

The question being put that the Secretary do give security for his honesty was carried in the affirmative.

The question being put that the secretary shall supervise & examine the Company's Account & attend the Transfer Office & all Courts & Committees to take minutes & do such other affairs as they shall direct it was carried in the affirmative.

The question being put that the Secretary do not undertake any other business than the Company's it was carried in the affirmative.

The question being put that the Secretary have liberty for himself & family to dwell in the Company's House it was carried in the affirmative.

The question being put that the place of Secretary be offered to their present Accountant William Pardon it was carried in the affirmative.

The said place being offered accordingly & William Pardon accepting on the aforesaid terms.

Resolved That William Pardon be hereby appointed Secretary to this Company.

Resolved

That Twenty Five pounds be given to William Pardon for cleaning the Rooms & to provide this Company with pens, ink, wax, Scotch coal & candles, such as they shall think necessary for the year ensuing. Which William Pardon accepts.

29th January 1734 LLC 7

Received from James Creed £397 7s for 30 ton 5 cwt 2 qtr 3 lb. of lead.

5th February 1734 LLC 7

Hannah Gould junr., took and signed the declaration instead of the oath appointed by the Charter and thereupon was admitted a member of this Corporation.

Martha Porter took the oath appointed by the Charter and thereupon was admitted a member of this Corporation.

Memorandum

Richard Francis the Accountants salary is to commence from this day.

12th February 1734 LLC 7

Received from James Creed £528 16s for 39 ton 6 cwt 1 qtr 46 lb. of lead.

Ordered. That the Irish account be forthwith settled & Mr Richard Champion in particular that it may be drawn out & sent him with the utmost expedition.

Richard Price took and signed the declaration instead of the oath appointed by the Charter and thereupon was admitted a member of this Corporation.

26th February 1734 LLC 7

Letters were written to Anthony Barker, James Blondel, Joshua Ware, Thomas Westgarth.

John Wells took the oath appointed by the Charter and thereupon was admitted a member of this Corporation.

5th March 1733 LLC 7

The Probate of the Last Will & Testament & Codicils annexed of Mr Egbert Guede of Highgate, in the County of Middlesex, to whom James Lamborn is the surviving executor dated 3rd February 1734, was this day shown & approved.

Mr Thomas Merryman took and signed the declaration instead of the oath appointed by the Charter and thereupon was admitted a member of this Corporation.

Mr John Hunt took the oath appointed by the Charter and thereupon was admitted a member of this Corporation.

Whereas an account is stated of the Silvermines in Ireland.

Ordered. That the Secretary do transmit a true copy of the same to Mr Richard Champion at Bristol.

9th April 1734 LLC 7

The Secretary reported that he had sent a copy of the Account Current of the Silvermines to Mr Richard Champion at Bristol.

Mr James Lamborne took the oath appointed by the Charter and thereupon was admitted a member of this Corporation.

11th April 1734 LLC 38

A General Court

Gentlemen

The chief care & principal view of your present Assistants ever since they have had the direction of your affairs has been to recover & support the reputation & honour of the Company by discharging a heavy load of debts of several years standing in the North and by strictly keeping up to the payment of the miners at your several works every quarter. At the same time they have pushed forwards to the utmost of their power the several Low levels for the unwatering and more effectual working of your mines particularly those at the Silver mines in Ireland, Trelogan in Wales & Winster in Derbyshire at a very great expense they have also completed two fire engines & made a considerable progress in the erecting two others of larger size. They have built you a commodious smelting house at Benthall & set up two new water engines in the North. These are some of the very heavy expenses, which have hitherto lessened your profits, but it may be observed that most of them are such as will not be of long continuance & when they shall cease their happy effects will be more sensibly felt.

Your Assistants beg leave to inform you that at their entrance on the management of your affairs they had the above debts & necessary works to provide for without money to discharge the one or carry on the other they therefore conclude that every gentleman who considers these things & calls to mind the two dividends which have been made will perceive the Company's Works to be very valuable & such as must in all probability prove very profitable.

But as your works are increased & still increasing experience & more thorough knowledge of the Company's affairs have taught your assistants that a larger stock is necessary for the carrying on your business with honour and advantage for which reason they come to a resolution that it will be greatly to the interest & benefit of this Company to forebear making a dividend this half year. But as this resolution may possibly occasion groundless fears & jealousy in some & give them a handle to others to propagate the same to their own advantage your Assistants have thought proper to prevent as much as in them by any such consequences by assuring you that your works have produced for the last half year (as well as the former) a profit sufficient to have made you a dividend of 5 shillings per share & that the Company's live stock in trade amounts to upwards of ten thousand pounds exclusive of all debts.

Your works have produced for the last half-year (as with the former) a profit sufficient to have made you a dividend of five shillings per share and that the Company's live stock in Trade amounts upwards of £10,000 exclusive of debts. They can further assure you that your works are considerably improved both in reality & prospect, which you may perceive, by the following account of them.

Your agent at the silvermines in Ireland advices us that the low level is carried up so near to that valuable vein that the water is ---th in such a manner as to sink considerably therein and we are in expectation every post to receive the agreeable news of the low levels being carried through into the vein.

Your agent at Gadlis gives us hopes that the Low level at Trelogan will meet the vein by November next which will enable you to work that great & valuable mine still more to advantage.

We also hope in six months or less to complete the Fire Engine at Maeslygen so as to work that vein which has afforded the Pentre Partners & Sir George Wynne in the two fields next above us so vast a treasure.

Your agents in the North have more than once assured us that we shall raise much more ore there this summer than heretofore.

Your agent in Derbyshire hath entertained us in three or four of his last letters with the discovery's so agreeable that we choose to make them known to you in his own words.

Winster Feb^y 1, 1734 My last to you was of the 11 past since which I have had yours of the 8. Our new shaft we got thro on Monday last plum on the forefield of the vein the two new veins lately discovered lye but each at a fathom wide of the said veins & go on parallel with it that on the West has but little ore in it but that on the East side is pretty good & like to go forward the main vein which lies between these two & on which our forefield shaft falls is also full as good as usual.

Feb^y 15. My last to the Court was of the 1 inst., since which have none from you nor have very little altering in the mines since then we work very hard at Watering Close & raise a good deal of ore but I hope that mine will speak for itself.

March 1. The Courts of the 19 past I received since which on the 22 to our no small pleasure we found a new vein at Watering Close it sets North & South parallel to the old vein has good strong ore in it & like to go forward I have possessed it with 55 pairs of Stows (*wooden markers placed on top of a wood stake to mark the extent of mine title along a vein*) which stand for 55 meers of ground (*Measurement along a vein, 1 meer was between 28 and 32 yards*) this vein lies ten yards East of the new vein lately found which I call Goose's Vein this I call Sheldon Vein from the person who found it. I have made but little tryal in it yet being Windless & inconvenient but after we have got Wind we shall do better & I hope soon to

discover another vein on that side because the Crack or Joint we have driven in still goes forward eastwardly.

March 15. The Courts of the 5 inst., I have received since which by driving still eastward on Friday last we discovered another new vein this I call Hall's Vein it lies about ten feet wide and Eastward of the last vein as I said before it has good ore in it & I hope will prove a good vein to this vein I have also taken 55 meers of ground and as the Joynt or vein still goes forward Eastwardly I am daily in expectation of finding more veins which we pursue with the utmost diligence in hopes of finding more & leave the two last veins as we found 'em nor can we work them to any advantage without a shaft having little or no liberty to draw anything from them nor Wind to carry them on therefore think it needful to sink a shaft on one of these veins immediately.

We have driven the new vein called Gooses at Watering Close 20 yards & 2 feet it is now very good & much better than the old vein.

I think you should be thinking of a proper person to give direction this building (meaning a smelting house) & to stay to see it done as also one to take care of the ore smelting, lead & to keep account thereof for as the mine is like to prove very considerable I apprehend I shall have enough to do to look after that.

As to the Suit in Equity commenced against several of your late Assistants we are informed that their several Answers having been sometime since filed Exceptions have been by the advice of Council taken to the Answers of Six of the defendants who were made party's or executors to one or more of your late Assistants that they have all submitted to answer & that four of them have filed for their answers. When the further Answers of all the defendants shall be filed and copied it will be proper to advise if it be material to endeavour after any further discovery or to provide as soon as possible to a hearing which if it shall be advised we are encouraged to expect may be proceeded to before Christmas next.

Resolved. That the two General Courts which are now held at uncertain times in the year be fixed the one to be held within 14 days before or after 29 September & the other within 14 days before or after 25 March for the time to come.

Resolved. That no dividend shall be for the future be made without the concurrence of a General Court.

30th April 1734 LLC 7

Samuel Brookes took the oath appointed by the Charter & was thereupon admitted a member of this Corporation.

Ordered. That Mr John Adam do cancel the Agreement made between the Company & Hugh Marriott Esq., and that a Copy of this order be given to Mr Adam signed by the Secretary.

N.B. the Above Agreement was entered in the minutes of 11th September last.

Resolved

That Thomas Westgarth be allowed five pounds for his instructing Robert Redshaw and that £15 a year be paid him for the instruction and maintenance of Thomas Marshall so long as he continues under him in the Company's service to commence from Christmas last.

7th May 1734 LLC 7

£50 was given to Thomas Barker for the several services which he had done the Company since the last present was given to him.

21st May 1734 LLC 7

The Committee of Mines having made some alterations in the draught of a lease of a Smelting Mill sent here by Jethro Norman, the same being read & approved a letter was wrote to Jethro Norman in which the said altered draught was enclosed.

The Court having taken into consideration the extraordinary service of William Pardon the Company's present Secretary on Account of the Absence & Death of Thomas Usher their late Secretary.

Resolved

That a present of twenty five guineas be made him for the same and that the Committee of Accounts prepare a warrant accordingly against the next Court.

4th June 1734 LLC 7

The seal of the Company was attached to the Counterpart of a lease from Robert Barker of a Smelting Mill called Bowers Mill in Ashover in the County of Derby about 5 miles from Winster.

11th June 1734 LLC 7

The Rev Robert Beachcroft took the oath appointed by the Charter & was thereupon admitted a member of this Corporation.

13th June 1734 LLC 7

Charles Little was to be discharged from the Company's service at Midsummer next, Abraham Watson to give him his notice.

Robert Redshaw was appointed the Company's agent at Wanlockhead at a salary of £20 per annum and £5 per annum for attending the engine, to start at Midsummer next.

£10 per annum was to be added to the salary of Thomas Westgarth to commence at Midsummer next.

16th August 1734 LLC 7

John Smith was empowered to bid for and buy the White Lead House, Mill &c. late in the possession of Samuel Thompson at or near Limehousehold in the County of Middlesex for the use of the Company provided the purchase costs no more than £1,500.

3rd September 1734 LLC 7

Reported that the White Lead Mill had been purchased for £1,185 a deposit of £118 being paid.

Reported that they had sold Mr John Smith on the 30th past 287 fother of lead London weight being the whole that now lies at Ralphs Key for £12 2s 6d per fother, but if the said Mr John Smith does not sell the same again for £12 7s 6d per fother or upwards the said Mr John Smith is to have an abatement of 2s 6d per fother.

The secretary reported that he had received the 30th past off the said Mr John Smith £1600 which was wrote into the Companys cash book the same day and also one note under his hand payable in two months for £1879 17s 6d in full of the above contract.

11th September 1734 LLC 7

Whereas the several title deeds of the White Lead House at Limehouse hold were delivered and the proper conveyance thereof was this day duly executed by William Wilkinson the surviving assign to the statute of bankruptcy against John Thompson. The common seal of this corporation was affixed to the counterpart thereof which was delivered to the said William Wilkinson. A warrant was signed for the sum of £1066 10s to make up the £118 10s paid by Mr John Smith at Guildhall for the 28th past the sum of £1185 being the whole of the above purchase.

Sarah Price signed the declaration in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter & was thereupon admitted a member of this Corporation

3rd October 1734 LLC 7

Sold 600 fother of lead at £12 per fother to Messrs Halls & Ellill to be delivered in London and 400 Welsh tons of lead to be delivered at Gadlis at £12 5s ton.

10th October 1734 LLC 38**A General Court**

Gentlemen

Since the last General Court two of your Court of Assistants have been to view your works in Wales & Derbyshire one of whom proceeded to view your works in the North at which several places they found your principal works not only in good order but affording a very encouraging prospect.

We have lately purchased at Limehouse a workhouse with sundry utensils for the smelting of White Lead which we hope will be of no small advantage to the Company and the rather because during any deadness of trade it will occasion a considerable consumption of your lead.

The purchase of the said workhouse and the erection of the several fire engines in Wales and also the setting up a furnace and ore hearth in Derbyshire have put the Company to a very large expense. These considerations together with the present low price of lead and the necessity there is for a further increase in stock for carrying your works to advantage have induced your assistants to be unanimously of opinion that it will not be for the interest of the Company to make a dividend for the last half year.

As to your lawsuit against several of your former Assistants we must acquaint you that we have been advised to endeavour after a further Discovery by an Amendment to our Bill which together with the long vacation has necessarily delayed the case coming to a hearing as yet but are nevertheless in expectation of bringing it to an hearing by Hilary term next. (*Spring Term of the Courts of Common Law beginning 1st January*)

Resolved. That the Court do concur with the Court of Assistants that it is not for the interest of this Company to make any dividend for the half year last past.

22nd October 1734 LLC 7

Sold to Mr William Stratton 1000 pieces of Newcastle lead to be delivered at the Port of London at £12 10s per London Fother.

The seal of the Company was attached to the Counterpart of a lease from Esquire Wortley of part of the Manor of Wensledale in the County of Yorkshire.

25th October 1734 LLC 7

40 ton 1 cwt 0 qtr 19 lb. of lead sold to Mr Stainbank & Co at £12 15s per London fother.

5th November 1734 LLC 7

The weight of lead sold to Mr William Stratton (22nd Oct) was 30 ton 8 cwt 2 qtr 7 lb. at £12 10s amounting to £380 9s 9d.

8th November 1734 LLC 7

Resolved. That it is the opinion of this Court that some skilful miner should be sent over to Ireland to take a full view & survey of the Company's works in that Kingdom when the season shall be fit for viewing the same and report his opinion of the said works to this Court.

Resolved. That John Norman the Company's Agent at Trelogan would be the proper person to be employed therein.

Sold to William Stratton 100 fothers of lead at £13 1s fother.

19th November 1734 LLC 7

Before the Company proceeded to make White Lead the opinion of Council was to be taken whether this was allowed under the Company Charter.

Sold to Messrs Hall & Ellill at £13 2s 6d fother 130 fothers.

Sold to Mr William Stratton at £13 2s 6d fother 100 fothers.

2nd January 1735 LLC 38

A Court for electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected.

Mr John Freame Governor

Mr Cornelius Mason Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Thomas Boddington

Sollom Emlyn Esq.

Thomas Gordon Esq.

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr John Knight

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Robert Brown

Mr William Foster

Jacob Harvey Esq.

Mr William Hodgson

Mr John Smith

Capt. John Werry

Thursday 2 January 1734

I do hereby Sincerely & truly declare that I have Sixty Shares in my own Name & Right in the Books of the Corporation for Smelting down Lead with Pitt Coal & Sea Coal
John Freame

I do hereby sincerely & truly declare that I have fifty Shares in my own Name & Right in the Books of the Corporation for Smelting down Lead with Pitt Coal & Sea Coal
Cornelius Mason

We Whose Names are underwritten do hereby sincerely & truly & respectively declare that We have each of the forty Shares in our own Name & Right in the Books of the Corporation for Smelting down Lead with Pitt Coal & Sea Coal

Tho. Boddington
Sollom Emlyn
William Foster
Jacob Hagen
Wm Hodgson
John Knight
John Smith
Simeon Warner
John Werry
Robert Brown
Jacob Harvey *4. March 1734*

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4th March 1735 LLC 7

Agreed that George Clarke was to be the Company's agent in Derbyshire at a salary of £50 per annum.

Sold 40 casks of Litharge to be delivered to Messrs Murray & Co they paying £12 15s per ton. £214 12s 6d received for 69 lb. 2 oz 16 pw 16 gr. standard silver at 5s 2d per oz sent to the mint.

7th March 1735 LLC 7

Abraham Watson's salary was reduced to £50 per annum and £10 per annum for travelling charges from Ladyday next.

Daniel Wren to be discharged from the Company's service at Ladyday next if Abraham Watson thinks fit.

John Teasdale's salary to be raised from £25 per annum to £30 per annum to commence Ladyday next.

11th March 1734 LLC 7

Agreed with Richard Taylor late of Ravensfield in Yorkshire but now of Bush Hill in the County of Middlesex to be this Company's Husbandman in Flintshire at the wage of twenty five pounds per annum to commence 25th inst.

Richard Taylor took the oath appointed by the Charter.

25th March 1735 LLC 8

Sold to James Creed 164 ton 16 cwt 1 qtr 27 lb. of lead London weight at £12 15s amounting to £2101 15s 8d.

3rd April 1735 LLC 38**A General Court**

Gentlemen

Your Court of Assistants must inform you that the excessive rains for several months pas have prevented us from raising the quantity of ore we should otherwise have done, notwithstanding which we have been successful in carrying on the Low level at your mine of Trelogan as to cut that valuable vein which affords a prospect of profitable & lasting work.

The fire engine at your mine of Maeslygan mine is now perfected & performs so well that it has already sunk the water very considerably and we hope in a short time that the mine will speak for it self.

The second fire engine for your colliery in Wales is also nearly completed which will save you a very considerable expense.

The Low level at your Silvermines in Ireland is not yet carried through the rock the same having been retarded not only by the exceeding hardness thereof but by the great rains that have fallen there.

Your Assistants have further to inform you that they have lately taken a lease off Edward Wortley Mountague Esq. for 21 years of part of his manor of Wensleydale in Yorkshire in which are four several veins that we hope will prove to the benefit of the Company..

The above considerations added to those laid before you last General Court have induced your Assistants to be unanimously of opinion that it will not be for the interest of the Company to make a dividend for the present.

With regard to the Law Suit depending between the Company & several of your late Assistants, we are informed by the persons employed by us that that no time has been lost in brining it to a determination as far as the nature of the case would permit.

As to the White Lead Works we have hitherto had some reasons for not prosecuting that affair which delay we conceive has been no detriment to the Company.

17th April 1835 LLC 8

The lease and Articles of Partnership of Llangunnog mine were read and a letter wrote to John Myddelton Esq.

The counterpart of a lease from Sir Roger Mostyn of coalworks at Bagilt in Flintshire was read and also Anthony Barker's remarks thereon were considered.

The counterpart of a lease from Pyers Lloyd Esq. of certain lead mines at Whitford in Flintshire was read and further consideration thereof deferred to the next Court.

20th May 1735 LLC 8

The common seal of the Corporation was affixed to the counterpart of Pyers Lloyd's lease of mines in the parish of Whitford in the County of Flint and to a Bond of one thousand pounds for the performance of the covenants of the same both which are ordered to be sent to Anthony Barker to be exchanged for those signed by the said Pyers Lloyd.

27th May 1735 LLC 8

Sold to Messrs Hull & Ellill 4 tons of Litharge at £12 12s 6d per ton.

24th June 1735 LLC 8

The Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pitcoal and Seacoal propose to take a mining lease for thirty one years with usual covenants of the late Duke of Wharton's Royalty on the north side of the River Swale to pay rent or duty one eighth part of the ore that shall be raised made merchantable and fit for smelting.

3rd July 1735 LLC 8

The Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pitcoal and Seacoal propose to take a mining lease for twenty one or thirty one years with usual covenants of the late Duke of Wharton's liberty's on the north side of the River Swale in Swaledale in Yorkshire to dig search for and work all lead and copper mines therein and to pay farm or duty ore one seventh part of the ore that shall be raised made merchantable and fit for smelting. And the said Governor and Company are willing to admit of an exception in the said lease of all such mines in the said liberty's as are present working by the late Dukes trustees or their agents.

Ordered that the secretary give the Deputy Governor an exact copy of the above proposal signed and also another copy signed in which the following clause shall be inserted.

To pay farm or Duty one seventh part of the ore that shall be raised made merchantable and fit for smelting during the first 10 years of the lease and one sixth part of the ore that shall be raised made merchantable and fit for smelting during the remainder of the term of the lease.

25th July 1735 LLC 8

Received £401 13s 4d for 1554 oz 16 pw 23 gr. standard weight silver at 5s 2d oz sent to the mint.

John Norman's report of the Silver mines in Ireland was heard fully considered and heads of a letter to Joshua Keenleside were prepared accordingly.

His account of Llang y nog is that little ore is in view at present but as tis Summer time and the springs low he advises to continue working it till the springs rise and render the drawing the water chargeable, he affirms there is a very fair vein but little ore.

That at Neitherheath he could not go down because the level was run in and full of water but thinks it not worth continuing.

That Weston which is held of Mr Jones lying near to a mine of Thomas Barker's he thinks it advisable to wait a little longer before the Company throw it up.

That in driving up the Low level at Trelogan and by boring in several places the ore was found 2 feet thick.

Ten guineas was given to John Norman for his extraordinary trouble and care in visiting the Silver mines.

12th August 1735 LLC 8

Received £451 17s 9d for standard silver sent to the mint (1749 oz 5 pw).

9th September 1735 LLC 8

Received £327 16s 10d for 1269 oz 1 pw 10 gr. standard silver sent to the mint.

8th October 1735 LLC 38**A General Court****Gentlemen**

Since the last General Court a General Balance has been made from the accounts of all your mines works & stocks to Christmas last. The nature of your works and the great distance they lye one from another as well as from London renders it so tedious to get necessary accounts from them striking such a balance that your Court of Assistants have found it impracticable to do it oftener than once a year for which reason we have not been able to bring it down lower than Christmas last.

By the said General Balance it appears notwithstanding the great damage done your mines by the late excessive rains and the many heavy & extraordinary charges absolutely necessary for the future prosperity of your works, your live stock was not less than was reported to you at a former General Court Viz. Ten Thousand pounds.

But as this stock consists principally in commodities lying in distant places and the winter season rendering the carriage difficult and tedious and as the purchasing of its ore (which is a ready money commodity) is necessary for employing the Company's Workhouses to advantage for the further increasing of that & the better carrying on your Works in general with honour & advantage your Court of Assistants upon mature deliberation found it necessary to raise the sum of Ten Thousand Pounds. Whereupon they unanimously came to a resolution to affix the Common Seal of the Corporation to one hundred bonds for one hundred pounds each at 5 per cent interest to be paid half yearly which was accordingly done the 30 day of last month.

As no other consideration but the welfare of the Company induced your Assistants to raise the sum you may depend upon it that the same shall be applied in the most beneficial manner for the Company's interest.

The accounts your Court of Assistants had received for several months past from your agent at the Silvermines in Ireland proving not satisfactory they thought it expedient to send over John Norman (your agent at Trelogan). And though the report of the state and condition of that works falls greatly short of what we have been formerly given to expect, yet we are encouraged to hope by pursuing the method of working laid down by the said John Norman the said works will turn out much better for the future.

As to your mines in Wales several of them have unexpectedly proved more than ordinarily chargeable for these twelve months past which has induced your Assistants to postpone sundry expensive drifts & levels to give such other directions as they conceive will prevent the like for some time to come and give opportunity to pursue the advantage which may be reaped from Trelogan & other profitable mines.

Your Chief Agent Anthony Barker under whose care and management they are, has lately given your Court of Assistants a particular account of their present state and condition which if it be your desire shall be read to you. *It was read.*

10th October 1735 LLC 8

The salary of Anthony Barker including travelling charges to the Company's works under his care and to Chester be one hundred and fifty pounds per annum and that there be allowed him the further sum of ten pounds per annum for a servant to go on the Company's errands &c. and also twenty pounds per annum for entertainment's necessary for the service of the Company. In al £180 per annum. But if the said Anthony Barker shall be sent by the Company to view any of their other works in the North or Derbyshire or if he be employed in

viewing any new offers of mining &c. that are at any considerable distance from his present station the Company is to bear the expense thereof.

14th October 1735 LLC 8

Mr Joshua Ware signed the following note.

Whereas the farm reserved upon Jeffry's Grove viz. one fifth in lead hath been found by experience to be too hard upon the Lead Company to whom the lease thereof was made. I do hereby consent and agree to make a new lease of the same at one sixth farm in lead to commence from Michaelmas last, the said Company surrendering up their present lease as witness my hand.

28th October 1735 LLC 8

Two sums had been received £384 11s 1d and £171 12s 2d for silver sent to the mint (2152 oz 18 pw).

£100 paid to Joshua Ware on account of Duty lead at Jeffry's and Shildon Grove.

11th November 1735 LLC 8

William Gorton being present the Court agreed with him to be this Company's agent at Wensleydale in Yorkshire at the rate of £25 per annum to commence at Christmas last upon which he took and signed the affirmation instead of the oath appointed by the Charter. Resolved that a present be made to William Gorton for his several services before the commencement of his salary of a piece of plate to the value of 10 guineas with the Company arms engraved thereon.

The lease of Jeffrys grove from John Ware for 23 years dated 29th November 1727 was this day surrendered to Joshua Ware and the two parts of a new lease of the same from the said Joshua Ware were this day read and approved and one part thereof was signed and executed by the said Joshua Ware and the common seal put to the other and delivered by the Governor on behalf of the Company.

18th November 1735 LLC 8

Received £469 11s for 3 ingots of silver 1817 oz 12 pw 10 gr. standard.

9th December 1735 LLC 8

The Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pitcoal and Seacoal propose to take a mining lease for twenty one or thirty one years with usual covenants of the following parts of the late Duke of Wharton's liberty's on the north side of the River Swale in Swaledale in Yorkshire. That is to say Old Rake Vein and Merryfield Vein from the Cross P or Woodshaft where the said veins meet eastwards to Barnard Beck with all ground between said veins and one hundred yards north and one hundred yards south of the said veins also all ground lying eastwards from Barnard Beck also all the ground from one hundred yards south of Freemans vein to the River Swale in Swaledale and also all the ground that lies westward from Gunnerside Gill to dig search for or work all lead and copper mines in all or either of the above described districts of ground and to pay farm or duty one seventh part of the ore that shall be raised made merchantable and fit for smelting.

And the said Governor and Company are willing to admit all such persons who are in present possession of mining bargains in either of the above mentioned district to continue working under them on the same terms they now do under the trustees provided they may be restrained from working lower than they now able to do on account of water.

16th December 1735 LLC 8

Received £255 2s 1d for 2 ingots of silver sent to the mint (82 lb. 6 oz 10 pw)

7th January 1736 LLC 38**A Court for electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected.

Mr John Freame Governor
Mr Cornelius Mason Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Thomas Boddington
Sollom Emlyn Esq.
Thomas Gordon Esq.
Mr Jacob Hagen
Mr John Knight
Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Robert Brown
Mr John Peel
Jacob Harvey Esq.
Mr William Hodgson
Mr John Smith
Mr Michael Russell

27th January 1736 LLC 8

Received £356 17s 5d for 1381 oz 8 pw 16 gr. standard silver sent to the mint.

Received £222 19s 6d for 863 oz 2 pw 14 gr. standard silver sent to the mint.

17th February 1736 LLC 8

Received £146 1s for standard silver sent to the mint (563 oz 7 pw).

16th March 1736 LLC 8

Received £227 6s 4d for 879 oz 18 pw 20 gr. standard silver sent to the mint.

30th March 1736 LLC 8

Received £248 9s 6d for 961 oz 16 pw 20 gr. standard silver sent to the mint, from Gadlis.

Sold to Messrs Hull & Co 200 tons of lead at Gadlis at £12 12s 6d per ton.

8th April 1736 LLC 38**A General Court**

Gentlemen

The excessive rains during the last winter have been so severe upon us that we have not been able to raise the quantities of ore, which might reasonably have been expected. They have likewise retarded the Dressing of the ore on the banks of the mines and the carriage of it to your several smelting houses especially in the North. By means whereof the perfecting a regular account so as to make a general balance to Christmas last has hitherto been impracticable.

Your Court of Assistants think proper to acquaint you that they have lately put a stop to the further working of your mine called Llang y nog which for some time past has proved exceedingly chargeable their inducement for continuing this work so long at so great an expense was partly its situation it being separated only by a hedge from the mine of the Duke of Powis from whence vast treasure has been raised but a yet stronger motive was the repeated assurances of your several agents who from time to time were sent on purpose to inspect and survey the same that it was their opinion it would prove very profitable work, but contrary to all expectation it has turned out and continues very poor and chargeable. Therefore your Court of Assistants thought it not prudent to put the Company to any further expense about it at present.

13th May 1736 LLC 8

Letters were written to Thomas Westgarth and Thomas Pickering at the Silver mines.

25th May 1736 LLC 8

Letters were written to Thomas Pickering and Thomas Westgarth to be carried by Thomas Powel the intended agent at the Silver mines.

1st June 1736 LLC 8

Sold 60 casks of Litharge at Gadlis at £12 5s per ton.

8th June 1736 LLC 8

Received £413 7s for 2 ingots of silver sent to the mint (1600 oz 1 pw).

15th June 1736 LLC 8

Received £200 8s 9d for one ingot of silver sent to the mint (775 oz 18 pw)

It is agreed by the Governor and Company for the Smelting down lead with Pitcoal and Seacoal of the one part and by Joshua Ware of the other part as follows viz. That for all the Duty ore that now is or shall become due from the said Governor and Company to the said Joshua Ware at Shildon miner by Michaelmas next to pay for it at Christmas next. And all the Duty ore that shall become due at the said mine from the said Governor and Company by Christmas next to pay the said Joshua Ware for it at Ladyday next at the rate of forty five shillings per Bing. And for all the duty lead that shall become due to the said Joshua Ware at Jeffry's mill by Michaelmas next from the said Governor and Company to pay for it at Christmas next. And for all the Duty lead that shall become due at Christmas next at the said mill to pay for the same at Ladyday next by the said Governor and Company to the said Joshua Ware.

N.B. The price I agreed for the duty lead at Jeffry's mill was Fourteen pounds per fother.

William Pardon (Company Secretary)

29th June 1736 LLC 8

Received £179 3s 2d for standard silver sent to the mint (693 oz 10 pw).

6th July 1736 LLC 8

Received £310 12s 3d for 2 ingots of silver 1202 oz 7 pw 10 gr. standard silver sent to the mint.

50 casks of Litharge sold to Mr Stainback at £12 5s ton, value £201 2s.

3rd August 1736 LLC 8

Received £490 2s 1d for 3 ingots of standard silver 1897 oz 3 pw 9 gr. sent to the mint.

10th August 1736 LLC 8

Received £244 19s for 2 ingots of standard silver sent to the mint, 948 oz 4 pw 1gr.

31st August 1736 LLC 8

Received £213 5s 9d for 825 oz 12 pw 16 gr. standard silver sent to the mint

100 casks of Litharge sold to Messrs Stainbank and Creed, the 100 casks to be shipped from Gadlis at £12 10s per ton, value £165 5s.

28th September 1736 LLC 8

Received £183 0s 8d for 708 oz 10 pw 8gr standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

7th October 1736 LLC 38**A General Court**

Gentlemen

As to the state of affairs we must inform you that though some of your works yielded large profits yet the dead expenses of others as we have sensibly found have considerably diminished the same. This made it necessary for some of Your Court of Assistants to go into

Wales to examine into the occasion thereof they stayed there upward of two months in order to make proper regulations and have settled matters upon such a bottom as will we doubt not prevent such dead work expenses for the future. The good effects thereof we have already felt so that we can truly say your affairs are in a much better condition now than they were at your last General Court.

12th October 1736 LLC 8

Received 567 0s 11d for 2195 oz 0 pw 12 gr. standard silver sent to the mint.

15th October 1736 LLC 8

The Court took into consideration the taking of several mines in Alston Moor and for the farther prosecution of that affair.

18th October 1736 LLC 8

The Court thoroughly considered the affair of taking a lease of the mines in Alston Moor of the Commissioners appointed for that purpose and drew up and agreed to, the following proposals Viz.

The Governor and Company for the Smelting down Lead with Pit coal and Sea coal propose to take a mining lease of the whole estate forfeited by the Attainder of the late Earl of Derwentwater within the manor of Alston Moor in the county of Cumberland for twenty one years at a farm of one seventh in ore which they are persuaded will turn out more to the advantage of the Trust than a larger farm from private persons.

If the Honourable Commissioners should not choose to let the whole together the Governor and Company aforesaid desire leave to give in new proposals for such particulars as they shall specify.

9th November 1736 LLC 8

Received 211 5s 9d for 817 oz 17 pw 17 gr. standard silver sent to the mint.

16th November 1736 LLC 8

Upon debating the affair of taking mines in Alston Moor the Court resolved that the proposal delivered to the Commissioners at Salters Hall the 20th October last should be amended as follows viz.

The Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit coal and Sea coal propose. To take a mining lease of the whole estate forfeited by the Attainder of the Late Earl of Derwentwater within the manor of Alston Moor in the county of Cumberland for twenty one years at a farm of one sixth in ore and oblige themselves to lay out the sum of three thousand pounds in Dead work.

The Governor, Deputy Governor and Mr. Warner are desired to go to Salters Hall with a copy of the above proposal signed by the secretary.

18th November 1736 LLC 8

The Governor, Deputy Governor and Mr. Warner reported that yesterday they delivered to the Commissioners at Salters Hall the proposals agreed to last Court relating to the Mines in Alston Moor and received for answer that Wednesday next the 24 inst. was the day the Commissioners intended to let a lease or leases of the said mines.

The said gentlemen are desired to attend the said Commissioners at the time and place aforesaid for their answer to the said proposals.

Resolved that Anthony Barker should be wrote to, to know his opinion whether twill not be proper to sink the present shaft at Maeslygan to the depth of one hundred and thirty yards instead of one hundred and fifteen only before the drift be driven to let in the Pentre Partners water.

There was read and the Common seal was affixed to the counterpart of a lease from Thomas Lewis Esq. Guardian and Trustee to other Lewis Earl of Plymouth of all the land of the said

Earl in the Parish of Diserth in the County of Flint for fifteen years from the 6th July last past if the said Earl doth live so long.

There was also read and the common seal affixed to the counterpart of a lease from Sir George Mostyn of the mines in his lands in the Parish of Holywell in the County of Flint.

26th November 1736 LLC 8

Mr. Warner reported that on Wednesday last the committee waited on the Commissioners at Salters Hall for letting the mines in Alston Moor and what passed and that the said Commissioners had referred the farther consideration thereof to Wednesday next.

30th November 1736 LLC 8

Received £186 14s 8d for 722 16 pw 21 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.
£100 paid to Joshua Ware on account of Duty lead ore.

7th December 1736 LLC 8

Received £323 3s for 1240 oz 18 pw 9 gr. standard silver sent to the mint.

The Gentlemen who waited last Wednesday at the Commissioners at Salters Hall about taking the Mines in Alston Moor having reported what passed the Court thought fit to alter proposals made to the said Commissioners the 16 past as follows Viz.

The Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pitcoal and Seacoal to take a lease for twenty one years of the mine called Blaghill alias Fiftis Rake which the now work on Alston Moor in the County of Cumberland at a farm of one fifth in ore and further oblige themselves to expend the sum of four hundred pounds in Dead work and to employ thirty hands eight month in the year upon the same.

And Also

To take a lease for Twenty one years of the mine called Redgrooves upon the said moor at a farm of one fifth in ore and further oblige themselves to expend the sum of one thousand pounds in Dead work and to employ thirty hands eight months in the year upon the same.

21st December 1736 LLC 8

Received £179 5s 11d for 694 oz 0 pw 22 gr. standard silver sent to the mint.

28th December 1736 LLC 8

The Deputy Governor and Mr. Warner reported that on Wednesday last they waited on the Commissioners at Salters Hall and received for answer that Col. Liddle was esteemed the fairest bidder for the whole Manor of Alston Moor.

They also reported that they delivered in the 15 Inst. the following Memorial which was read to the board.

The Lead Company beg leave to represent that they have faithfully wrought your mine of Blaghill near forty years during which time they have met with and been obliged to work through so many hard rocks and Dead places that tho it has proved a very beneficial mine to the landlord the Company have not as yet got any thing by it, notwithstanding which it is in the best repair of any mine in the whole liberty and for the last ten years has paid more duty ore than all the rest of them from whence they presume that if they are not to be looked upon as the best bidder they must be esteemed the best workers. And as they have thus distinguished themselves and have laid out on the said mine in the three last years several hundred pounds in Dead work they hope and believe you will think it for the interest of the Trust as well as equitable to continue them your tenants by granting them a new lease at least of the mine they have so long and so faithfully wrought. And if the proposals we have made for the taking the said mine of Redgrooves should be approved of, you will not only have an opportunity of judging how the rest of your mines are wrought but persons ready on the spot to take them in case the Gentlemen whom you shall prefer to us should find themselves mistaken.

5th January 1737**A Court for electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected.

Mr John Freame Governor
Mr Cornelius Mason Deputy Governor
Assistants
Mr Robert Browne
Thomas Gordon Esq.
Jacob Harvey Esq.
Mr Jacob Hagen
Mr William Hodgson
Mr Thomas Hyam
Mr John Knight
Mr John Peele
Mr Michael Russell
Mr John Smith
Mr Simeon Warner
Capt John Werry

25th January 1737 LLC 8

Received £319 16s 11d for 1238 oz 2 pw 5 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

22nd February 1737 LLC 8

Received £185 9s 9d for 718 oz 0 pw 10 gr. standard silver sent to the mint.

8th March 1737 LLC 8

Received £384 5s 3d for 1487 oz 9 pw 15 gr. standard North silver sent to the mint.

16th March 1737 LLC 38**A General Court**

Gentlemen

We can with pleasure assure you that the measures we took to put a stop to the working of some of your mines that were expensive have agreeably to the expectations given you at the last General Court proved advantageous. And though we have been obliged to carry out two very chargeable works Viz. The sinking of the deep shaft at Maeslughan and the recovering of eleven yards of Low level at Trelogan yet the circumstances of the Company are improved.

29th March 1737 LLC 8

Received £235 13s 9d for 912 oz 6 pw 10 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

26th April 1737 LLC 8

Received £215 13s 7d for 834 oz 17 pw 17 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

10th May 1737 LLC 8

£11 9s paid to Mrs Winter for 13 Elm pipes sent to Ambrose Watson for Jeffry's Grove.
Received from Messrs Hull & Ellill £2885 12s for 226 ton 6 cwt 1 qtr 25 lb. of lead.

17th May 1737 LLC 8

Received £206 14s 10d for 800 oz 6 pw 1 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.
The Governor and Company for the Smelting down Lead with Pitcoal and Seacoal request of Col. Liddle.
That they may have a lease of Eighty yards to the southwards of the grant which is already agreed to. That is that a middle line may be carried twelve hundred yards in length east and

west forty yards without the liberty of Blaghill lease south and the Company to have forty yards on each side the said middle line.

27th May 1737 LLC 8

The box containing the Charter and leases was brought up into the Court room where the leases were sorted and fresh numbered from number one to forty nine both inclusive.

7th June 1737 LLC 8

Received £324 9s 4d for 1256 oz 0 pw 3 gr. standard North silver sent to the mint.

14th June 1737 LLC 8

Received £230 6s 1d for 891 oz 9 pw 23 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

19th July 1737 LLC 8

Received £278 10s 10d for 1078 oz 4 pw 17 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

2nd August 1737 LLC 8

Received £392 9s 2d for 1519 oz 3 pw 22 gr. standard Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

9th August 1737 LLC 8

Received £180 6s 7d for 698 oz 1 pw 3 gr. standard Welsh & Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

31st August 1737 LLC 8

George Clarke this Company's agent at Winster in Derbyshire be taken into the Company's service as an assistant to his father at the rate of £10 per annum to commence from Michaelmas next.

The salary of Joseph Whitfield this Company's agent at Bower's Mill at Ashover in Derbyshire be raised £5 per annum from Michaelmas next.

6th September 1737 LLC 8

Received £182 19s 8d for 708 oz 6 pw 13 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

4th October 1737 LLC 8

Received £255 9s 2d for 82 lb. 4 oz 17 pw 11 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

11th October 1737 LLC 8

Received £467 9s 7d for 1809 oz 11 pw 22 gr. standard Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

13th October 1737 LLC 38

A General Court

Gentlemen

Your Court of Assistants take the opportunity it gives them of acquainting you that they have begun the making of White Lead (*at the Limehouse works*).

They have further to inform you that your mine called Maeslughan which has hitherto proved so very expensive, by carrying on a drift from the Fire Engine shaft at the depth of one hundred and fifteen Yards through an exceeding hard stone your workmen have lately pricked & discovered ore in the South or Sun Vein and are driving through the same in order to come at the North vein which lies a small distance from it.

As to that other chargeable work Viz. The recovery of Eleven yards of Low level at Trelogan the same has hitherto been carried on with more expedition & fewer difficulties than was expected; a more particular account of which as well as of your other works in Wales & Derbyshire has been reported to your Court of Assistants by two of their body who have visited the same which if you please shall be read to you. *The report was read to the Court.*

8th November 1737 LLC 8

Received £194 13s 11d for 753 oz 13 pw 8 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

29th November 1737 LLC 8

Received £283 5s 4d for standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1104 oz 5 pw).

Jethro Norman of Winster principal agent to the mines and works in Derbyshire had asked to be relieved due to his age and infirmity, this was agreed and George Clarke was appointed in his place.

27th December 1737 LLC 8

Received £488 18s 6d for 1892 oz 12 pw 6 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

5th January 1738 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor, and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Freame Governor
Mr Cornelius Mason Deputy Governor
Assistants
Mr Robert Browne
Mr Thomas Boddington
Mr Timothy Colston
Sollom Emlyn Esq.
Jacob Harvey Esq.
Mr Jacob Hagen
Mr William Hodgson
Mr Thomas Hyam
Mr John Peel
Mr Michael Russell
Mr John Smith
Capt John Werry

17th January 1738 LLC 8

Sold to Messrs Hull & Ellill 1000 tons of lead from Gadlis at £12 10s ton.

7th February 1738 LLC 8

John Oliver present managing workmen at the Company's White Lead House at Limehouse be discharged the Company's service from this day.

14th February 1738 LLC 8

Received £363 5s 4d for 1406 oz 4 pw 3 gr. standard Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

7th March 1738 LLC 8

Received £413 0s 7d for 1598 oz 16 pw 16 gr. standard Welsh & Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

24th March 1738 LLC 8

Took into consideration the state of the Silver mines in Ireland and after mature deliberation it is the unanimous opinion of this Court that it will be the interest of this Company speedily to desist working the said mines.

4th April 1738 LLC 8

Received £192 8s 5d for 744 oz 17 pw 6 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

2nd May 1738 LLC 8

Received £235 4s 7d for 910 oz 11 pw 12 gr. standard silver sent to the mint.
Letter written to Joshua Ware.

15th May 1738 LLC 8

Resolved that Thomas Westgarth be wrote to, to meet the Deputy Governor and Mr Peele at Gadlis in Flintshire on or about the 5th June next to join with John Norman in a survey of the Company's works in Flintshire and particularly the mines on Halkyn Mountain.

16th May 1738 LLC 8

Received £480 16s 2d for 1861 oz 3 pw 21 gr. standard North silver sent to the mint.

23rd May 1738 LLC 8

Received £258 2s 6d for 999 oz 3 pw 20 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

20th June 1738 LLC 8

Received £160 11s 9d for 621 oz 12 pw 13 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

27th June 1738 LLC 8

£320 8s 9d paid to Joshua Ware in full for his Duty lead ore to Christmas last.

4th July 1738 LLC 8

The price of the Company's White lead be £25 per Ton, that a discount of 4 percent be allowed to those who bought one Ton or more for prompt payment.

25th July 1738 LLC 8

Received £1012 12s 6d for 3919 oz 16 pw 16 gr. of Newcastle standard silver sent to the mint.

11th August 1738 LLC 8

Took into consideration the affair of the Duke of Wharton's mines in Swaledale Yorkshire, after having read the several letters received from the Company's sundry agents employed to survey the same. The further consideration whereof is deferred to another opportunity. Thomas Westgarth's Report of the state of the mines in the North was read.

22nd August 1738 LLC 8

Received 176 17s 10d for 684 oz 14 pw 15 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

19th September 1738 LLC 8

Received £298 2s 9d for 1154 oz 1 pw 14 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

31st October 1738 LLC 8

Received £268 18s 11d for 1041 oz 1 pw 12 gr. standard silver sent to the mint.

28th November 1738 LLC 8

Received £819 0s 3d for 264 lb. 2 oz 7 pw 1 gr. standard Welsh & Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

22nd December 1738 LLC 8

William Gorton's letter of the 15th inst. was read and the affair of the Duke of Wharton's mines was again taken into consideration and.
Resolved that Thomas Westgarth and George Clarke be wrote to and ordered to meet William Gorton at Richmond in Yorkshire to consult with him further about the said affair and send us their joint opinions.

26th December 1738 LLC 8

Received £240 3s 9d for 77 lb. 5 oz 15 pw 1 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

4th January 1739 LLC 38**A Court for electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected.

Mr John Freame Governor
 Mr Cornelius Mason Deputy Governor
 Assistants
 Mr Robert Browne
 Mr Thomas Boddington
 Mr Timothy Colston
 Sollom Emlyn Esq.
 Mr Thomas Hyam
 Mr William Hodgson
 Mr John Knight
 Mr John Peele
 Mr Michael Russell
 Mr John Smith
 Capt John Werry
 Mr Simeon Warner

16th January 1739 LLC 9

Received £248 7s 6d for 961 oz 8 pw 22 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

23rd January 1739 LLC 9**Memorandum**

Whereas Joshua Keenleyside late Chief Agent to the Governor & Company for Smelting Down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal at Silver Mines in the County of Tipperary in the Kingdom of Ireland died on or about the 21st April in the year 1736 at Silver mines aforesaid & appointed Thomas Westgarth Agent also to the said Governor & Company at Jeffry's Grove in the County of Durham in the Kingdom of England to be his executor. Now this is to satisfy all whom it may concern that the said Thomas Westgarth as Executor to the said Joshua Keenleyside hath delivered up to Thomas Pickering Accountant to the said Governor & Company at Silver mines aforesaid all Books, Papers & effects whatsoever belonging to the said Governor & Company and hath also paid the sum of eighty pounds Irish money to the said Governor & Company as the balance of the said Joshua Keenleyside's account. In consideration whereof the said Governor & Company doth hereby discharge the said Joshua Keenleyside as Agent & the said Thomas Westgarth as executor from all future claims or demands whatsoever upon the account of the agency of the said Joshua Keenleyside.

Resolved. That forty or fifty casks of the Company's best White Lead be sent to John Barclay of Dublin to be sold there for the Company's account.

Resolved. That fifty tons of the Company's pig lead be sent to Marseilles in France consigned to Vennet Whatley & Gampere to be sold there for the Company's account.

Resolved that 200 pigs of the Company's lead be sent to Hamburg consigned to Philip Henry Stangellein to be sold there on the Company's account.

20th February 1739 LLC 9

Received £381 3s 9d for 122 lb. 11 oz 11 pw 6 gr. standard Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

22nd March 1739 LLC 9

Took into consideration the state of the mines in the North under Abraham Watson and Thomas Westgarth and also at Wanlockhead in Scotland and Stagsfell in Yorkshire.

27th March 1739 LLC 9

Sold to Messrs Hull & Ellill 1000 tons of lead at the rate of £12 7s 6d per ton at Gadlis.

29th March 1739 LLC 9

Received £462 6s 2d for 1789 oz 11 pw 13 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

8th May 1739 LLC 9

Received 332 2s 3d for 1285 oz 11 pw 20 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

5th June 1739 LLC 9

Received £703 16s 8d for 2724 oz 10 pw 8 gr. standard Welsh & Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

12th June 1739 LLC 9

The secretary reported that on the 28th and 30th days of May last past and the first day of this instant June the cause depending in the Court of Chancery between this Company and John Hall and Joseph Hall Executors of Urban Hall Deceased (formerly governor) George Pick Executor of Enoch Floyd Deceased (Deputy Governor) John Gray Executor of Edward Wright Deceased (Assistant and Treasurer) John Tatnall & Edward Leeds Junior Executors of Edward Leeds Senior Deceased (Assistant) Arthur Woolley (Assistant) Sarah Hopkins Executrix of John Haddon & Benj Hopkins both Deceased (Assistants) William Smith (Assistant) Matthews Beachcroft & Robert Beachcroft Executors of Samuel Beachcroft Deceased (Assistant) James Creed & Edward Leeds Junior (Assistants) and James Allen Executor of John Toms Deceased (Assistant of this Company) was heard before the Lord Chancellor and on the last of those days a Decree was pronounced in favour of this Company. The minutes where of as entered in the Registers Book are as follows.

Friday the 1st Day of June 1739

Lead Company against Beachcroft and others.

Lord Chancellor

Declare that the allowance of the sum of £12,017 10s made by the Court of Assistants on the 25th July 1721 to Doctor Wright the then Treasurer of the Company on account of South Sea Stock & South Sea Subscriptions pretended to have been bought in the months of August, September and October 1720 and of the payments on such Subscriptions and also the allowance of the sum of £1,531 made by the said Court on the 27th March 1722 on account of the difference arising on a contract for £2,000 London Assurance Stock pretended to have been made with Joseph Willie in August 1720 were unwarrantable and wrongfully made by the said Court of Assistants. And that the said two sums of £12,017 10s & £1,531 were fraudulently charged on the Plaintiffs the Company in breach of the Duty of trust reposed in the said Court of Assistants and Treasurer.

And that the Defendant Gray the Executor of the said Doctor Wright & such of the Governor, Deputy Governor & Assistants as were present at the said respective Courts of Assistants and did not dissent from the orders for making such allowances ought to make satisfaction for the same to the Plaintiffs the Company in manner hereinafter mentioned.

And therefore let the defendant Gray as Executor of the said Doctor Wright stand charged with the said sums of £12,017 10s and £1,531. And he is to have an allowance thereof for such money arising by any subsequent sale or sales of the said Stock & Subscriptions or any of them as came to the use or benefit of the Plaintiffs the Company, and the same is to be deducted out of the said sums of £12,017 10s and £1,531. And let what shall appear to be due to the plaintiff on the balance be paid by the Defendant Gray out of the assets of the said Doctor Wright in a course of Administration. And if the Defendant Gray shall not admit assets then let him come to

an Account before the Master for the personal Estate of the said Doctor Wright come to his hands or to the hands of any other person by his order or for his use.

And if what shall be found due to the said Plaintiff on the said Balance or any part thereof shall not be satisfied out of the Assets of the said Doctor Wright, then let the Master Enquire whether any and which of the said Governor, Deputy Governor, & Assistants (entered in the books to have been present at the respective Court of Assistants) dissented from the said orders for making the said allowances and let so much as shall not be satisfied out of the Assets of the said Doctor Wright be made good and paid to the Plaintiffs by such of them who shall not appear to have dissented as are dead, but such of the said Defendants as are Representatives of any of them are to Answer and pay the same only out of the Assets of their respective Testators or Intestates in a Course of Administration and if they shall not admit to Assets, then they are severally to come to an account before the Master for the personal Estates of their respective Testators or Intestates come to their hands or to the hands of any other person or persons by their or any of their order or for their or any of their use.

And declare that the Court doth not think fit to direct any account of the Dividend received on the said Stocks and Subscriptions or on any Stock or Annuities allowed in lieu thereof in respect of the said Defendants not being charged with the interest on the said sums of £12,017 10s & £1,531.

And for the better taking of the accounts aforesaid the Defendants are to be examined upon Interrogations and to produce all Books, Papers and Writings in their custody or power relating thereto upon oath before the Master as the Master shall direct and in taking the said account the Master to make all just allowance.

And let the Plaintiff have their costs hitherto to be taxed by the Master out of the Assets of Doctor Wright and reserve the consideration of the costs of this suit from this time until after the Master shall have made his report.

But in case Assets of Doctor Wright shall not be sufficient to answer the costs to this time over and above the Plaintiffs Demands, then reserve the consideration of the said costs or of such part thereof as shall not be answered out of the Assets of Doctor Wright as between the Plaintiffs and the other Defendants and reserve likewise all further Directions touching the matters aforesaid and liberty to the parties to apply to the Court as there shall be occasion.

And let the Plaintiffs Bill so far as it seeks any relief against the Defendant Leeds in his own right and as to all other matters touching which no Directions are hereby given or Reserved be Dismissed.

19th June 1739 LLC 9

Ordered. That the Secretary send Messrs Silvanus & Timothy Bevan & Mr Richard Champion Senr, of Bristol copies of the following letter.

I am ordered by the Court of Assistants of the Governor & Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal to acquaint you that if you do not pay to them the balance of your account currant of the Silver Mines in Ireland to Christmas last (lately delivered to you) they purpose to desist working the said mines. And you are desired to take notice thereof

Signed by order of the Court of Assistants

William Pardon Secretary.

25th June 1739 LLC 9

Thomas Westgarth and Thomas Marshall (Company's agent at the Silver mines in Ireland) being present delivered their joint opinions in writing what they think is proper to be done at the Silver mines in Ireland.

27th June 1739 LLC 9

The Committee of Accounts reported that they had met yesterday in the afternoon when pursuant to yesterdays appointment they were attended by Thomas Marshall the Company's

agent for their works at silver mines in Ireland at which meeting Silvanus and Timothy Bevan were present and were acquainted with the Company's intention to desist working those mines about Michaelmas next unless in the mean time they should meet better encouragement. Took into consideration the state of the Company's works at Wanlockhead, Clargil Head, Covertfold, Blaghill, Windibre and Whitfield Mill.

28th June 1739 LLC 9

A Warrant was signed to Thomas Westgarth for fifty pounds.

Thomas Marshall took the oath appointed by the Charter as an agent of this Company.

Thomas Westgarth took and signed the affirmation in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter as an agent of this Company.

Took into consideration the state of Shildon Mine and Acton Mill and of Jeffrey's Mine levels and Mill, and also the deficiency of the general account of ores and lead and all other accounts in the North of England.

10th July 1739 LLC 9

Received £597 19s 10d for 2314 oz 16 pw 5 gr. standard Welsh & Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

£179 18s 6d paid to Coulson Skottowe Esq. or bearer for Duty of lead ore at Jeffry's Mill and Shildon mine.

7th August 1739 LLC 9

Received £218 12s 4d for standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (846 oz 5 pw).

8th August 1739 LLC 9

The Court having received a letter from their Secretary William Pardon by which they found he had withdrawn himself took the same into consideration and the said Secretary attending in Pursuance to a letter wrote to him last Court they examined him thereon and mutually settled his account with the Company by which it appeared there was due from him to the Company the sum of three hundred & seventy one pounds seventeen shillings and ten pence half penny, besides which it appeared that he had taken up of the Company's Banker in the Company's name seventy one pounds, for which sums he declared he was not able to make any satisfaction, the further consideration whereof was deferred to the next Court and the said William Pardon was ordered to attend accordingly.

14th August 1739 LLC 9

The Court returned the consideration of William Pardon's affair and made some progress therein and deferred the further consideration thereof till to morrow morning.

The Court likewise appointed Richard Francis to their Secretary in the room of the said William Pardon.

Resolved. That the said Richard Francis's salary be £80 per annum and an allowance of £25 for his providing the Court with Candles, Firing, Ink & Pens, and for keeping the Company's house in decent order.

15th August 1739 LLC 9

The Court took into consideration the affair of William Pardon the Company's late Secretary and finding that the said William Pardon was further indebted to the Company than appeared to the Court the 8th instant, a new account was stated and signed by the said William Pardon as under.

Full Account, see below.

<i>— M^{rs} William Pardon } Dr — Contra — Cr —</i>	
<i>To the Gov^r & Comp^y for Smelting down Lead with pit coal & Sea Coal</i>	
<i>To Balance his Account in the Comp^y Lead Ledger</i>	<i>184. 2. 3</i>
<i>To Smith & Will for so much he received of them —</i>	<i>—</i>
<i>— 4th December 1738. more than brought to Account —</i>	<i>200. —. —</i>
<i>To Treame & Barclay for so much he took of them to pay Dividend Warr^{ts} 1738. the Warr^{ts} yet unpaid</i>	<i>71. —. —</i>
<i>To Account of Transfers for 3A. Transfers 212. not yet accounted for —</i>	<i>20. 8. —</i>
<i>To Balance of the White Lead Acc^t as p^d Book B. —</i>	<i>12. —. 7½</i>
<i>— of White Lead House Charges & off cash received —</i>	<i>—</i>
<i>—</i>	<i>487. 10. 10½</i>
<i>By 1A Dividend Warrants he has paid, & not brought to Account</i>	<i>11. 5. —</i>
<i>By 27. Sells of Stamps for Transfers, he paid for —</i>	<i>10. 3. 3.</i>
<i>By Pettys as p^d Book of 9th —</i>	<i>8. 18. 3.</i>
<i>By ½ a Quarters House money &c. —</i>	<i>3. 3. —</i>
<i>By his Salary ½ a Quarter —</i>	<i>10. —. —</i>
<i>By Charges — 1. 1. 3. Bills of Exchange 2/3. —</i>	<i>1. 3. 6.</i>
<i>—</i>	<i>44. 13. —</i>
<i>— Balance as stated in Court 8th Aug^t 1739</i>	<i>442. 17. 10½</i>
<i>— which M^{rs} Pardon agreed was true & —</i>	<i>487. 10. 10½</i>
<i>1739.) 4th To Balance of Account above —</i>	<i>442. 17. 10½</i>
<i>To Benjamin Jones's Acc^t in White Lead Books for so much M^{rs} Pardon rec^d of Jones & not rec^d to Acc^t by —</i>	<i>48. —. —</i>
<i>— 7th June last £2A. — which was discovered since the —</i>	<i>—</i>
<i>— 29th July — £2A. — Making the Account above —</i>	<i>—</i>
<i>To Bond Account for the Interest of Bonds unpaid —</i>	<i>72. 10. —</i>
<i>— for which he had the money of the Comp^y 4th Warrant. —</i>	<i>—</i>
<i>—</i>	<i>£ 563. 7. 10½</i>
<i>August 15. 1739. I William Pardon Late Secretary to the Gov^r & Co. for Smelting down Lead with pit coal & Sea Coal do hereby acknowledge that the above Account is right And the Balance being Five Hundred and Sixty Three pounds Seven Shillings & Ten pence half Penny is due from me to the said Gov^r & Co. Witness my hand — W^m Pardon —</i>	
<i>£ 563. 7. 10½</i>	
<i>Witness</i>	
<i>Rich^d Francis Secretary. —</i>	
<i>— Discharged James Pardon (the Son of William Pardon.) the Company's Service. —</i>	
<i>— Adjourn'd —</i>	
<i>— Approved by the Court and Sign'd by their Order 21 August 1739</i>	
<i>John Treame Gov^r —</i>	

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Ordered. That 150 pieces of the Company's lead at Ralph's Key be shipped on the Company's account on board the Dolphin Sloop, John Handyside Commander for Ostend, consigned to John Galway Merchant there, the freight three pence Exchange money per pig.

Sold Mr Thomas Hyam 100 pieces of the Company's lead at Ralph's Key at £12 5s per London fother.

23rd August 1739 LLC 9

Ordered the secretary to send to Coulson Skottowe Esq. a copy of William Stoddarts lease to the Governor and Company of Lead mines in Blanchland dated 10th March 1727 for 21 years. The Lord Percival's proposal for granting to the Company a lease of ground on the County of Cork in Ireland for discovery of mines of lead and copper ores in his letter of the 18th instant to the Deputy governor was read and considered.

Resolved That the Court do agree to and accept the said proposal, and that the Deputy Governor be desired to write to the said Lord to acquaint him therewith and desire him to appoint an agent to meet for the adjusting a lease agreeable thereunto.

The Common Seal of this Corporation was put to a lease of a piece of waste ground to William Manley Esq. to get ore at a place called Vownog near Trelogan in Flintshire to be delivered to the Company well cleaned at £4 10s per ton for round ore and £4 per ton for small ore and £3 for waste ore to continue to 12th July 1751.

3rd September 1739 LLC 9

Received £229 13s 10d for 889 oz 2 pw 16 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

4th September 1739 LLC 9

Benjamin Brown was appointed clerk to their colliery at Bagilt in Flintshire at £30 per annum with allowance for coal and candles.

6th September 1739 LLC 9

Resolved. That William Mackbean be admitted the Company's Accountant in the room of Richard Francis.

Agreed with him for £50 per annum salary and a lodging room furnished in the Company's House. And that he engage in no other business nor follow any other employment but the Company's.

11th September 1739 LLC 9

Sold to John Lodge 120 fother lead at £13 10s fother.

2nd October 1739 LLC 9

Received £702 10s 5d for standard Welsh & Newcastle silver sent to the mint (2719 oz 9 pw).

11th October 1739 LLC 38

A General Court

The Minutes of the Lord Chancellor's late decree in the Company's favour in the cause depending between the Governor & Company and Hall & others were communicated to the General Court, as was the failure of the late secretary William Pardon.

16th October 1739 LLC9

The secretary had delivered to John Lodge the bill for lead sold to him (11th Sept) amounting to £1664 14s 0d.

6th November 1739 LLC 9

Received £267 10s 2d for 1035 oz 10 pw 7 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

27th November 1739 LLC 9

Received £308 8s 11d for 1193 oz 19 pw 21 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

7th December 1739 LLC 9

Took into consideration and examined Capt. William Harrison's account of the money received by him and due to him out of the Mortgaged Premises, whereon the Company's White Lead House, at Lime House Hole is built, and Resolved to give the sum of £950 for the same, including the Fine and costs of the Mannor Court, the said Capt. Harrison and Richard Crookenden (a subsequent Mortgagee thereof) surrendering and assigning all there title thereto in Trust for the Company, and the Capt. Harrison making out the particulars of his account.

11th December 1739 LLC 9

Agreed with Matthew Dove and partners in the Bog mine Shropshire to let them the buildings and Slag Hearth at Brosely (Benthal) at £15 per annum for 6 years from Ladyday next, the Company assigning the benefit of the Company's covenant for indemnifying from any damage by smoke; the said Matthew Dove and partners to build a furnace, and at the end of the term the Company to have the liberty of taking the furnace on a reasonable valuation (giving said Dove and partners three months notice before the expiration of the lease) otherwise said Dove and partners to pull it down and sell the material for their own use.

14th December 1739 LLC 9

The Company paid £950 to Captain William Harrison and Captain Richard Crookendon as a consideration in full for their and each of their titles and interest in the Copyhold premises at Limehousehole (*in the Manor of Stepney*) in the County of Middlesex. The deed of assignment of the residue of a term of 99 years was executed.

19th December 1739 LLC 9

Perused and executed leases from Sir Richard Grosvenor of mines in Halkin called Pen y Fford newydd.

25th December 1739 LLC 9

Received £244 1s 8d for standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (944 oz 17 pw).

3rd January 1740 LLC 38**A Court for electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected.

Mr John Freame Governor
 Mr Cornelius Mason Deputy Governor
 Assistants
 Mr Robert Browne
 Mr Thomas Boddington
 Mr Timothy Colston
 Sollom Emlyn Esq.
 Mr Jacob Hagen
 Jacob Harvey Esq.
 Mr Thomas Hyam
 Mr John Knight
 Mr John Peele
 Mr Michael Russell
 Capt John Werry
 Mr Simeon Warner

15th January 1740 LLC 9

Received £188 3s 0d for standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (728 oz 6 pw).

12th February 1740 LLC 9

Letter written to Thomas Marshall ordering him to prepare to throw up the said works. (Silver mines in Ireland)

19th February 1740 LLC 9

The account referred in the minutes of last Court was reviewed and stated as it appeared to the Court and is as follows.

Defendant Gray & Others
 To the Gov & Co
 Chancellors

By South Sea Stock & Subscription the Company To Lord
 have had £1,500 South Sea Stock £1,500

Lord Chancellors Decree	£12,017	10s	0d	1,500 1st Subscription @ 300% £4,500
Lord Chancellors Decree	£1,531			on which 50% was paid in is £2,250
				made stock @ 33 1/3% is <u>£750</u>
				<u>£2,250</u>
				Which was equally divided into stock and annuities
				£1,125 S. S. Stock sold at £100 ¾
				1,125 S. S. Annuities @ £93 3/8
				<u>£1,133</u> 8s 9d
				<u>£1,050</u> 9 4½
				<u>£2,183</u> 18 1½
				deduct brokers and transfer
				<u>3</u> 0 1½
				<u>£2,180</u> 18 0
				<u>£11,367</u> 12 0
				<u>£13,548</u> 10 0
				Balance due to the Company

Ordered that the secretary give a copy thereof to Joseph Cranmer the Company's Solicitor.

26th February 1740 LLC 9

Received £226 8s 6d for standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (876 oz 10 pw).

Received £650 0s 5d for standard North silver sent to the mint (2516 oz 4 pw).

18th March 1740 LLC 9

Received £248 4s 0d for standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (960 oz 16 pw).

25th March 1740 LLC 9

Sold to John Lodge 120 tons of lead at £13 7s 6d per fother.

27th March 1740 LLC 9

Executed the articles of agreement between the Right Honourable John Lord Percival of the Kingdom of Ireland and the Company for searching for mines of lead and copper in the Manors of Burton and Egmont in Ireland.

15th April 1740 LLC 9

Received £266 7s 7d for 976 oz 8 pw standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

Agreed with Coulson Skottowe Esq. for his duty lead at Jeffry's at Thirteen pounds ten shillings per fodder and Duty at Shildon at 40s per Bing to Christmas last.

20th May 1740 LLC 9

Sold Mr Thomas Chitty 500 pigs of the Company's lead at Ralph's Key at £12 7s 6d per London Fother to be paid in a month.

Ordered 1000 pigs of lead to be shipped on board the St Anthony of Padua, Carel Moritz Commander for Danzig and consigned to William Joshua Henworthy, one half thereof for the Company's account and the other half part for account of Mr Simeon Warner & Co., for which they are to pay £12 7s 6d per London Fother and half the shipping charges in one month.

Mr Thomas Hyam informing the Court that on receipt of James Blondel's letter to them of 13th inst, he in the Courts absence opened it and on finding that the Dutch ship the Young William, John Vinck master was arrived there from Amsterdam to take 150 tons of lead on the Company's account for Venice, he did on the 16th order an insurance of £2000 sterling to be made thereon by Mr Coenrad Vanson of Amsterdam. And the said Mr Hyam having informed the Court that he had since received a letter from the said Vanson agreeing that he will make the insurance at 2/3 per cent commission and stand the Risque of the underwriters Mr Hyam is desired to agree with him accordingly.

Mr Hyam further informing the Court that the said Coenrad Vanson hath a ship at Amsterdam which he will send immediately to Gadlis for 120 to 130 tons of lead on the following terms Viz. at thirty five shillings per ton of 2240 lb freight to carry it to Marseilles, the loading be it more or less to be charged at twelve pounds seven shillings and six pence per ton of 2400 lbs. on shore, and be shipped in his said ship on account Viz. 1/3rd on the said Coenrad Vansons

account, 1/3rd on account of Messrs Vernet Whatley & Gampert of Marseilles and 1/3rd on the Company's account.

The Court agrees to the said proposition and desires the said Mr Hyam to acquaint the said Vanson and Messrs Vernet Whatley & Gampert therewith by this post, and do desire Mr Vanson will dispatch the ship forthwith for Gadlis and when the ship is loaded the Court agrees that insurance may be made on their 1/3rd part of the cargo by Mr Vanson on the best terms possible, he to charge thereon 2/3 per cent commission and the Risque of the insurers.

11th June 1740 LLC 9

Took into consideration the state of the Company's works at Silvermines in Ireland, and it is the unanimous opinion of this Court that it is for the interest of the Company to quit those works.

Resolved that orders be sent to the Company's agent to quit the same as soon as may conveniently be done and the Company's partners in those works be acquainted with this resolution. A letter was wrote to Thomas Marshall.

18th June 1740 LLC 9

Took into consideration the Draught of the Masters Intended Report in the Cause between this Company and Gray & Others and Ordered Directions to be given to the Company's solicitor for objecting thereto and for being heard by Council before the Master upon the same

Mr Thomas Hyam reported that pursuant to a power given him last Court he had sold Messrs Wilmer & Bird 50 London fodder of lead at £13 sterling per fodder free of all charges to be sent forthwith from Gadlis to Messrs James & Isaac Simon of Dublin and there to be put on board a French ship. Capt. Libert Commander bound for Genoa for which the said Wilmer & Bird are to pay money upon delivery to them the Bill of loading here.

The said Mr Hyam also reported that he gave orders per last post to Coenrad Vanson of Amsterdam for £700 insurance to be made on the Company's Adventure in the Anna Galley Capt. Andrew Tolleneare from Dublin to Leghorn.

25th June 1740 LLC 9

Sold to Messrs Abram & Jacob Franco 25 ton of lead at £13 10s fodder on board to be paid for in a month.

1st July 1740 LLC 9

Sold to Thomas Chitty 450 tons 3 cwt 14 lb. lead at £12 7s 6d per fodder.

8th July 1740 LLC 9

Sold to John Newt Veale 60 ton 0 cwt 2 qtr 17 lb. lead at £13 10s London fodder.

Sold to Jacob de Costa 14 ton 12 cwt 1 qtr 17 lb. lead at £13 10s London fodder.

14th July 1740 LLC 9

Sold to Messrs Hull & Ellill 200 fodder of lead at £12 5s fodder.

Received £221 17s 7d for 71 lb. 6 oz 17 pw 19 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

15th July 1740 LLC 9

John Morgan the Company's agent at the White Lead works had his salary augmented to £50.

5th August 1740 LLC 9

Received £194 19s 7d for 754 oz 15 pw 1 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

9th September 1740 LLC 9

Received £241 14s 1d for 2 ingots weight 935 oz 12 pw 17gr standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

Sold to Messrs Stainbank & Creed 240 pieces of lead 15 ton 1 cwt 3 qtr 8 lb. in the lion from Wales and 600 pieces in the Newcastle packet from Newcastle at £12 10s per London fodder on the key.

18th September 1740 LLC 9

Paid into Messrs Freame & Barclay £270 3s from Hull & Ellill for 20 ton 1 cwt 1 qtr 14 lb. of lead from Wales in the Prince William.

7th October 1740 LLC 9

Sold to William Stratton 400 pieces, 30 ton 2 cwt 0 qtr 19 lb. from Wales in the Nathaniel at £12 10s per London fodder on reduction from Gadlis weights.

Received £317 16s 8d for 2 ingots standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1230 oz 6 pw).

14th October 1740 LLC 9

Received £575 19s 8d for 3 ingots 2229 oz 12 pw 6 gr. standard Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

28th October 1740 LLC 9

Received £268 18s 11d for 2 ingots 1041 oz 1 pw 15 gr. standard silver sent to the mint.

15th November 1740 LLC 9

Received £271 7s 11d for 1050 oz 11 pw 11 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

9th December 1740 LLC 9

Received £250 14s 8d for 2 ingots 970 oz 11 pw 20 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

23rd December 1740 LLC 9

Received £241 12s 2d for 2 ingots 935 oz 5 pw 4 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

30th December 1740 LLC 9

Sold 500 tons of lead to Messrs Hull & Ellill at £12 10s per London Fodder.

10th February 1741 LLC 9

Received £270 3s 8d for 2 ingots 1045 oz 17 pw 13 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

1st January 1741 LLC 38

A Court for electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected.

Mr John Freame Governor

Mr Cornelius Mason Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Clement Bellamy

Mr Timothy Colston

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Thomas Hyam

Mr Michael Russell

Capt John Werry

Mr Thomas Boddington

Sollom Emlyn Esq.

Jacob Harvey Esq.

Mr William Hodgson

Mr John Smith

Mr Simeon Warner

17th February 1741 LLC 9

Received £183 6s 5d for 1 ingot 709 oz 2 pw 20 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

19th February 1741 LLC 9

Resolved to apply for a renewal of the lease of the Wanlockhead mine.

3rd March 1741 LLC 9

Received for 3 ingots £586 4s, 2269 oz 3 pw 6 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

19th March 1741 LLC 9

Took into consideration the affair recommended by Thomas Westgarth in his letter of the 3rd inst. relating to the Duty ore payable out of mines in Weardale to the Bishop of Durham and the Rector of Stanhope; and desired the Deputy Governor and Mr Warner to wait on the Bishop and Rector about the same.

24th March 1741 LLC 9

Received £239 17s 6d for 2 ingots 928 oz 10 pw 23 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

25th May 1741 LLC 9

Received £248 11s 0d for 2 ingots 962 oz 2 pw 19 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

26th May 1741 LLC 9

Resolved that application be made by Thomas Westgarth to Edward Wortley Mountagu Esq. in order to obtain an additional number of years to his lease to the Company of Stagsfell &c. and likewise for a grant of a quantity of ground in Lund's District which joins at Johnston's gill and William Calton's lands on the West and to the extent of his liberty Eastwards, with one hundred yards on each side at the same duty as Stagsfell.

Resolved that Thomas Westgarth do apply to the Dean and Chapter of Durham in order to obtain a mining lease from them of all the wastes and commons within the Manor of Muggleswick.

2nd June 1741 LLC 9

Received £269 0s 5d for 2 ingots standard Welsh silver sent to the mint(1041 oz 5 pw).

9th June 1741 LLC 9

Received £496 6s 11d for 2 ingots 1921 oz 6 pw 20 gr. standard Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

6th June 1741 LLC 9

Read over and corrected a draught of a mining lease of a parcel of land near a certain Burn called Shildon Burn in the County of Northumberland as also a draught of an agreement for a lease of a further term of Shildon Mine and Acton Mill.

23rd June 1741 LLC 9

Received £169 5s for 1 ingot 655 oz 3 pw 11 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

21st July 1741 LLC 9

Sold to Messrs Hull & Ellill 1000 foddors of lead at £12 5s per London fodder.

Drew up a proposal for taking, of the Duke of Queensbury, Strata Step Vein and Belton Grove Vein at Wanlockhead at one seventh duty in ore.

28th July 1741 LLC 9

Received £273 8s 4d for 2 ingots 1058 oz 7 pw 15 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

4th August 1741 LLC 9

The Common Seal of this Corporation was affixed to an instrument appointing Richard Francis the Company's attorney to demand and receive of John Gray, William Smith, Arthur Woolley and James Creed or either of them the sum of Ten thousand two hundred and seven pounds three shillings and five pence farthing, being so much decreed by the Court of

Chancery to be due to this Company from the late Governor, Deputy Governor and Court of Assistants.

11th August 1741 LLC 9

The secretary reported that yesterday he attended (with?) Mr Cranmer's agent to the Houses of Messrs John Gray, James Creed, and William Smith, who were then served with a Writ of Execution, and that he demanded of them the respective sums mentioned in the Company's Letter of Attorney to him, which sums they refused to pay.

26th August 1741 LLC 9

Mr Cranmer, this Company's solicitor in the cause between the Company Plaintiff and John Gray and others Defendants attended and acquainted the Court, that the Defendant Gray had been taken up and was now in custody by virtue of a process for non performing the Decree of the said Cause; whereupon the Court consulted with him what measures were proper to carry the said Decree into Execution against the other Defendants.

27th August 1741 LLC 9

This day Messrs Creed and Smith paid in for the use of the Governor and Company the sum of Five thousand seven hundred and forty five pounds eleven shillings and eight pence farthing being part of the Ten thousand two hundred and seven pounds three shillings and five pence farthing due to the said Governor and Company by virtue of a decree in the High Court of Chancery; which said sum of £5,745 11s 8¹/₄d is paid into Freame and Barclays' and wrote into the Company's cash book.

Ordered that a receipt under the Common Seal of the said Governor and Company be delivered for the same, which receipt was delivered accordingly and is as follows.

Between the Governor and Company for the Smelting down Lead with Pit coal and Sea coal by original Bill and Bill of Reviver Plaintiffs; John Gray, James Creed, William Smith, Edward Leeds Junior and Arthur Woolley and others Defendants.

Lead Office London the 27th day of August 1741.

Received then of the Defendants James Creed, Edward Leeds, William Smith and Arthur Woolley by the hands of the said James Creed and William Smith the sum of £5,745 11s 8¹/₄d being the money Reported to be deficient of the Assets of Doctor Wright the late Treasurer come to the hands of the Defendant Gray his Executor, to answer the sum of £10,207 3s 5¹/₄d reported and Decreed due to the said Company; But the same is so received without prejudice to any demand the said Company have by virtue of the Decree made in this cause upon the said Creed, Leeds, Smith & Woolley, and the other defendants for the sum of £4,461 11s 9d the remainder of the said £10,207 3s 5¹/₄d or any part thereof that shall not be repaid by the Defendant Gray the Executor of the said Dr Wright. In Witness whereof the Common Seal of the said Governor and Company is hereunto affixed by order of the Court of Assistants of the said Company the day and year above written.

1st September 1741 LLC 9

Received £230 2s for 2 ingots 890 oz 14 pw 7 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

15th September 1741 LLC 9

Received £342 10s 9d for 2 ingots 1325 oz 19 pw 5 gr. standard Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

22nd September 1741 LLC 9

Received £283 7s 8d for 2 ingots 1096 oz 19 pw 11 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint. Sold to Thomas Chitty 50 foddors of lead at Ralphs Key at £12 10s fodder.

24th September 1741 LLC 9

Thomas Pickering, the Company's accountant at Silver mines attended the Court and gave account of the Company's affairs there.

29th September 1741 LLC 9

The Governor and Company the sum of £4,400 which was accepted in Lieu of £4,461 11s 9d, the remainder of the £10,207 3s 5¹/₄d due to the said Governor and Company by virtue of a Decree in the High Court of Chancery, which said sum of £4,400 is paid into Freame and Barclay and wrote into the Company's cash book.

Ordered that a receipt under the Common Seal of this Corporation be delivered for the same; which receipt was delivered and is as follows.

Between the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit coal and Sea coal by original Bill and Bill of Reviver, Plaintiffs, John Gray, Executor of Doctor Edward Wright Deceased, James Creed, William Smith, Edward Lees Junior surviving Executor of Edward Leeds Senior his late father Deceased, Arthur Woolley and others Defendants.

Lead Office London the 29th day of September 1741.

Received then of the Defendants, James Creed, Edward Leeds, William Smith and Arthur Woolley the sum of £4,400 which said sum is accepted and taken by the said plaintiffs in Lieu and satisfaction of the sum of £4,461 11s 9d being the Assets of the said Doctor Edward Wright, certified by the Report of Master Bebbet made in the above cause dated the 2nd March last to be remaining in the hands of the said John Gray his Executor, and for which the said John Gray is in the first place answerable to the said Plaintiffs; which said sum of £4,400 together with the sum of £5,745 11s 8¹/₄d before paid to the said Governor and Company by the said James Creed, Edward Leeds, William Smith and Arthur Woolley on the 27th August last, and also the sum of £61 11s 9d agreed to be abated in consideration of the said £4,400 being now paid by the Defendants Creed, Leeds, Smith & Woolley to the said Governor and Company, make the whole sum of £10,207 3s 5¹/₄d certified by the said Masters report in the above Cause to be due to the plaintiffs; But the same is so received by the said Plaintiffs without prejudice to and exclusive of the Plaintiffs costs of Suit recovered in the said cause which remain to be Taxed by the said Master, and are still to be paid to the Plaintiff by the several defendants in the above Cause, (Excepting only the said Defendant Gray).

And the said Plaintiffs the said Governor and Company do hereby consent and agree that it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Defendants James Creed, Edward Leeds, William Smith and Arthur Woolley, at the proper costs and charges of them the said James Creed, Edward Leeds, William Smith and Arthur Woolley to prosecute the Decree made in the above cause, and carry the same into Execution in the names of them the said Governor and Company the Plaintiffs (in the same manner as the said Governor and Company lawfully might or could have done, in case the said money Decreed to be paid to them the said Plaintiffs had not been paid) against all of the other Defendants. In order to compel them, or any of them to pay his, her or their parts and proportions of the money so decreed to be paid by the Defendants to the said Plaintiffs. They the said James Creed, Edward Leeds, William Smith and Arthur Woolley saving harmless and Indemnified the said Governor and Company from any Damage or Loss which may befall them on account thereof.

In Witness whereof the Common Seal of the said Governor and Company is hereunto affixed the day and year first written.

6th October 1741 LLC 9

Richard Symons took the oath appointed by the Charter, and was accordingly admitted a member of the Corporation.

The Copy of the last will of Capt. John Werry late of the parish of St John in Southwark in the County of Surrey, mariner, deceased appointing his son Nathaniel Werry his executor (together with Ann Werry, wife of the said Nathaniel Werry, his executrix) also the Probate of said will under the seal of the Archbishop of Canterbury dated 20th July 1741 were shown to the Court and allowed.

The Copy of the last will of Lascells Metcalfe late of Crutched Friars in the City of London deceased appointing his son Lascells Metcalfe junr his sole executor (bequeathing fifty shares of this Company's stock to his son Russell and the remainder to his executor) likewise the Probate of said will in the Court of the Archbishop of Canterbury dated 10th October 1740 were shown to this Court and allowed.

Resolved that the remaining fifty per cent of all the Company's Bonds now outstanding be paid off, together with the interest due thereon to the 31st December next; and that notice thereof be given accordingly in the Daily Advertiser on Thursday next, and in the London Gazette on the Saturday following.

12th October 1741 LLC 38**A General**

The Court of Assistants acquainted the General Court that they had received from Messrs Creed, Leeds, Smith and Woolley, four of the defendants in the case depending in the High Court of Chancery towards satisfaction of the money decreed the Company in that cause the sum of £5745 11s 8¹/₄d and afterwards by a further payment the sum of £4400 which last sum was in the first place chargeable on the defendant Gray as Executor to Doctor Wright, and in consideration of it then being paid by the other defendants was accepted by the said Court of Assistants instead of the sum of £4461 11s 9d which together with the former £5745 11s 8¹/₄d made up the sum of £10207 3s 5¹/₄d reported by the Master in Chancery to be the whole balance due to the Company; which transaction of the Court of Assistants was approved by this General Court.

20th October 1741 LLC 9

Received £300 4s 6d for 2 ingots 1162 oz 3 pw 9 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

22nd October 1741 LLC 9

Took into consideration the renewal of the lease of the Company's Workhouse at Gadlis, whereupon a letter was wrote by the Deputy Governor to Sir Thomas Mostyn relating to the taking of a lease from him of land at Bagilt for the building a new Workhouse thereon.

27th October 1741 LLC 9

Robert Mackintosh was elected the Company's accountant in the room of William Mackbean. Agreed with him for fifty pounds per annum salary and lodging room furnished in the Company's House, and that he engage in no other business nor follow any other employment but the Company's, and that he give £500 security for his fidelity and good behaviour.

10th November 1741 LLC 9

William Palmer took the oath appointed by the Charter and was accordingly admitted a member of this Corporation.

17th November 1741 LLC 9

Received £299 1s 1d for 2 ingots 1157 oz 13 pw 5 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

26th November 1741 LLC 9

Took into consideration the letters from Thomas Westgarth for sometime past, as also his extraordinary journeys to Wales, Ireland &c. and resolved to give him a gratuity of £40 for the same.

15th December 1741 LLC 9

Received £281 12s 9d for 2 ingots 1090 oz 4 pw 9 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint. Michael Russell junr took the affirmation in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter and was accordingly admitted a member of this Corporation.

29th December 1741 LLC 9

Received £430 8s 11d for 2 ingots 1666 oz 4 pw 23 gr. standard Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

31st December 1741 LLC 38**A Court for electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected.

Mr John Freame Governor

Mr Cornelius Mason Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Clement Bellamy

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Thomas Boddington

Jacob Harvey Esq.

Waldo Du Bois Esq

Mr Thomas Hyam

Mr Timothy Colston

Mr William Hodgson

Sollom Emlyn Esq.

Capt John Werry

Mr John Smith

Mr Simeon Warner

26th January 1742 LLC 9

Received £537 13s 5d for 3 ingots 173 lb. 5 oz 6 pw 3 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

2nd March 1742 LLC 9

Received £221 14s 0d for 2 ingots 858 oz 3 pw 19 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

18th March 1742 LLC 9

Ingrossed leases from Coulson Skottowe Esq. to this Company of New Shildon and Jeffry's mines and also Articles of Agreement for a further lease of Old Shildon mine and Acton Mill were read and executed. And at the same time the lease of Jeffry's from Joshua Ware was surrendered up to the said Mr Skottowe.

30th March 1742 LLC 9

Received £226 7s 8d for 2 ingots 876 oz 6 pw 20 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

12th April 1742 LLC 9

Resolved that Thomas Marshall be dismissed from being the Company's agent at their works in Ireland and that John Sheldon of Trelogan in Wales be appointed in his room at £40 per annum salary.

20th April 1742 LLC 9

Received £481 4s 2d for 3 ingots 1862 oz 14 pw 22 gr. standard Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

27th April 1742 LLC 9

Received £207 14s 3d for 1 ingot 804 oz 0 pw 23 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

Mr Hagan reported that he had ordered 320 pieces of the Company's Hull lead to be shipped on board the Ruby, Capt. Robert Sanders for Naples which the Court approved of consigned the same to Messrs Hunter & Thorold on the Company's account. William Ford took the oath appointed by the Charter and was accordingly admitted a member of this Corporation.

18th May 1742 LLC 9

The following proposal was to be delivered to Mr Chamberlain agent to the heirs of the late Duke of Wharton.

To take a mining lease for 21 years or 31 years with usual covenants of that part of the late Duke of Wharton's liberty, now unworked in Swaledale.

That is to say from Swinnergill Eastwards as far as the forefield of the level of Longnethwaite, and from Swinnergill Westward, 800 yards, and to have 400yards in Breadth, for the working and discovery of the veins of lead and copper ore, that may be found and gotten in that compass of ground, and to have likewise the liberty of working and following all cross veins or strings of lead or copper ore, that may be discovered in working said mines, 1,200 yards, to pay farm or duty one eighth in ore well washed and made merchantable.

And in case these proposals are agreed to, proper directions, for the immediate working the said premises shall be forthwith given by the said Company to their agent residing near the same.

25th May 1742 LLC 9

Paid Jonathan Evendan £7 7s 0d for Jeffry's and Shildon leases.

1st June 1742 LLC 9

Received £219 7s 1d for 2 ingots 849 oz 2 pw 10 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

13th July 1742 LLC 10

Received £302 6s 6d for 2 ingots 1170 oz 5 pw 22 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

23rd July 1742 LLC 10

Received £651 14s 8d for 3 ingots 2522 16 pw 18 gr. standard Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

The following proposal was ordered to be signed and sent to Robert Cooke Esq. and Mr Chamberlain.

To take a mining lease for 21 years or 31 years with usual covenants of that part of the late Duke of Wharton's liberty, now unworked in Swaledale.

That is to say from Swinnergill Eastwards as far as the forefield of the level of Lonrnethwaite, and from Swinnergill Westward, 800 yards, and to have 400yards in Breadth, for the working and discovery of the veins of lead and copper ore, that may be found and gotten in that compass of ground, and to have likewise the liberty of working and following all cross veins or strings of lead or copper ore, that may be discovered in working said mines, 1,200 yards, to pay farm or duty one eighth in ore well washed and made merchantable.

And in case these proposals are agreed to, proper directions, for the immediate working the said premises shall be forthwith given by the said Company to their agent residing near the same.

31st August 1742 LLC 10

Received £266 9s 1d for 2 ingots 1031 oz 8 pw 16 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

17th September 1742 LLC 10

Read over and took into consideration sundry letters from Abraham Watson, Thomas Westgarth and John Teasdale.

Resolved that Abraham Watson be discharged the Company's service.

Resolved that Thomas Westgarth be appointed the Company's Chief Agent in the room of Abraham Watson, at the salary of £60 per annum.

21st September 1742 LLC 10

Received £250 12s 2d for 2 ingots 970 oz 2 pw 1 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

2nd November 1742 LLC 10

Received £839 2s 4d for 5 ingots 3248 oz 3 pw 19 gr. standard Newcastle & Welsh silver sent to the mint.

23rd November 1742 LLC 10

Received £237 10s 1d for 2 ingots 909 oz 7 pw 16 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

6th January 1743 LLC 38

A Court for electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected.

Mr Cornelius Mason Governor

Mr Thomas Hyam, Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Clement Bellamy

Mr Thomas Boddington

Waldo Du Bois Esq

Mr Timothy Colston

Sollom Emlyn Esq.

Capt Nathaniel Werry

Mr Jacob Hagen

Jacob Harvey Esq.

Mr John Peele

Mr William Hodgson

Mr Michael Russell

Mr Simeon Warner

20th January 1743 LLC 10

James Emmott took the oath appointed by the Charter and was accordingly admitted a member of this Corporation.

Read over articles of Agreement for taking a lease of a House in St Martins Lane, Cannon Street belonging to John Vanhattem Esq., for the use of the Company, and Ordered Richard Francis to sign the same on behalf of the Company.

27th January 1743 LLC 10

Received £320 8s 2d for 2 ingots 1240 oz 6 pw 1 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

Richard Francis the present Secretary having informed the Court that his affairs will not permit him to continue in the Company's service. Resolved that the Court will on Thursday next receive petitions from such as shall offer themselves candidates for the said place of Secretary to the Company.

10th February 1734 LLC 10

Jocelyn Farrington was appointed Secretary to the Company, and that he give security in the sum of one thousand pounds for his faithful discharge of the said office.

24th February 1743 LLC 10

Received £737 15s 2d for 4 ingots 2855 oz 17 pw 10 gr. standard Newcastle & Welsh silver sent to the mint.

29th March 1743 LLC 10

Read over and settled a draught lease of Quitiar hen Tu mine from Mrs Parry, Perth y maen.

6th April 1743 LLC 10

Received £797 18s 4d for 4 ingots 257 lb. 4 oz 14 pw 2 gr. standard Newcastle silver sent to the mint.

6th April 1743 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors and that warrants for the same be ready to be delivered at the Company's House in Martins Lane Cannon Street at Midsummer next.

9th April 1743 LLC 10

Agreed the lease of Quitiar hen Tu mine.

12th May 1743 LLC 10

Received £285 1s 3d for 2 ingots 1103 oz 8 pw 9 gr. standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.

26th May 1743 LLC 10

Received £162 17s for 1 ingot 630 oz 8 pw standard Welsh silver sent to the mint.
Executed the counterpart of Mrs Elizabeth Parry's lease of Quitiarhen Tu mine.

23rd June 1743 LLC 10

£238 14s 3d was paid to Coulson Skottowe for duty ore at Jeffrey's and Shildon mines.

21st July 1743 LLC 10

Received £936 9s for 5 ingots standard silver sent to the mint (3625 oz 1 pw).

4th August 1743 LLC 10

The Probate of the will of Humphrey Hill of the Parish of St Margaret Moses, London deceased under the seal of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, appointing Elizabeth Hill (widow & relict of the said Humphrey Hill deceased) and Edward Haistwell Executrix & executor was exhibited and allowed.

Robert Walker took the oath appointed by the Charter & was accordingly admitted a member of this Corporation.

11th August 1743 LLC 10

Received £313 2s 8d for standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1212 oz 2 pw 12 gr.).

25th August 1743 LLC 10

The seal of the corporation was affixed to the counterpart of a lease from Robert Hughes, Ann Hughes and Thomas Hughes of Gadlis Workhouse for 44 years from December 25, 1742

8th September 1743 LLC 10

Received £382 18s 3d for standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1482 oz 4 pw 12 gr.).

15th September 1743 LLC 10

Sold 1200 fodder of lead to William Stratton, Messrs Hull & Ellill and Messrs Steinbank & Creed at £11 5s per London Fodder.

27th September 1743 LLC 10

Desired Mr Warner to apply to the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital for the taking of their share of Windibree mine in Aldston Moor.

29th September 1743 LLC 10

Received £256 11s 9d for standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (993 oz 5 pw).

17th November 1743 LLC 10

Received £465 16s 5d for standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1803 oz 3 pw).

1st December 1743 LLC 10

Received £897 2s 4d for standard North & Welsh silver sent to the mint (3472 oz 14 pw).

13th December 1743 LLC 10

Proceeded in reviewing and considering the Standing Orders of this Company and reduced the same as follows.

1. That such member or members of the Court of Assistants who shall not come within half an hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the Court shall have no share of the Court money of that day and that no member depart the Court without leave of the Chair until three hours after the appointed time of meeting under the like penalty.
2. That all the Silver sent up from the Company's several works be brought to the Company's House in London & there weighed by the Committee of mines and that the said Committee give directions for running the same into ingots.
3. That in case a Court of Assistants cannot be held for want of the Governor, Deputy Governor or sufficient number of assistants any five or more members of the Court shall be a Grand Committee to answer the Company's letters.
4. That the Governor, Deputy Governor, or Chairman of the Grand Committee for the time being do sign the minutes of the foregoing Court or Grand Committee.
5. That the Petty Charges of this Company be constantly brought in once a month & laid before the Committee of accounts who shall examine the same.
6. That the Secretary & Accountant be always two distinct persons & that the said offices never be joined in one and the same person.
7. That the Secretary, Accountant, & all other Agents & Servants of the Company entrusted with the Company's cash do at or before their admission into their respective offices give sufficient security for the faithful discharge of their trust.
8. That none of the Company's lead in London be delivered either for shipping or otherwise but by virtue of a warrant signed by three of the Court of assistants.
9. That the book containing the Copy of the Company's Charter, Bye Laws & Standing Orders together with the Cash Book be laid on the table every Court day.
10. That no dividend warrant be delivered to any person until he or she have duly accepted his or her shares.
11. That the Public Transfer day for shares in the stock of this Company be Wednesday in every week between the hours of ten & one.
12. That no person be permitted to transfer any stock in this Company's Books in right of another but by a letter of attorney to be left with and laid up by the Secretary.
13. That none be admitted to receive any dividends or make any transfer as Executor, Administrator or Attorney until the probate of the will or letters of Administration or letter of Attorney shall have been produced & allowed by the Court of Assistants & that such allowance shall be entered in the Court Book.
14. That the Secretary do not permit any person or persons to accept any share or shares in the Company's stock without producing at the same time the receipt of transfer for the sum paid thereon unless the acceptor be known to the Secretary or the transferor & acceptor be both present at the time of such transfer.
15. That none of the Company's books be carried out of the Company's House without an order of a Court of Assistants and that no papers or letters belonging to the Company be carried out of the Company's House without leave of the Governor, Deputy Governor or two of the Court of Assistants unless in the course of business.
16. That no letter directed for the Governor & Company be opened unless in the presence of one of the Court of Assistants.

17. That the Court Book be paged & that no servant belonging to this Company presume to cut or tear out any leaf or leaves of any of the Company's Books, but if a mistake happen in making any entry in the Court Book the same to remain till the Court give an order therein.
18. That for the future the time of the qualification of every member be noted in the margin of his or her account in the stock ledger & when such stock has been accepted the letter A be wrote against it in red ink.
19. That no warrants for the payment of money be presented to the Court to be signed until the same shall have been examined & marked by the Committee of Accounts or one of them.
20. That all warrants for payment of the Company's money be signed by the Governor, or Deputy Governor, or two assistants in open Court & that every Bill drawn upon this Company be affixed to the Warrant for payment.
21. That all Bills payable to the Governor & Company be endorsed by the Governor or in his absence by the Deputy Governor.
22. That all letters to this Company be copied into the Company's Letter book & then folded & titled with the name of the person from whom received & the date & laid by in proper order.

20th December 1743 LLC 10

Whereas Robert Jones late of Flint, Tallow Chandler is indebted to the Company in the sum of £45 for whom Capt. Benjamin Hodges one of the members of this Corporation became security & agreed that his 10 shares in the Company's Stock should remain a pledge for the same.

Ordered. That the Secretary do not permit the said Capt. Hodges's 10 shares to be transferred or any dividend to be paid thereon without special leave of the Court of Assistants.

6th January 1744 LLC 38

A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants

Mr Cornelius Mason Governor

Mr Thomas Hyam, Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Clement Bellamy

Mr Robert Browne

Waldo Du Bois Esq

Mr Thomas Gordon

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr William Hodgson

Jacob Harvey Esq.

Lascelles Metcalfe Esq.

Mr John Peel

Mr Michael Russell

Mr Simeon Warner

Capt Nathaniel Werry

23rd February 1744 LLC 10

£81 2s 6d paid for the expense of building 3 wind furnaces at Limehouse for melting down the silver.

8th March 1744 LLC 10

Received £156 14s 6d for 2 ingots of standard silver from Wanlockhead (606 oz 14 pw).

22nd March 1744 LLC 10

Received £1120 11s 9d for standard North & Welsh silver sent to the mint (4337 oz 15 pw).

6th April 1744 LLC 38

A General Court

Resolved. That a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next and that Warrants for the same be ready to be delivered on Monday 25th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

26th April 1744 LLC 10

Received £233 19s 10d for 2 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (905 oz 16 pw).

10th May 1744 LLC 10

Whereas by G Clarke's letter of the 5th inst. it does appear to the Court and that there is good reason to suspect he hath misapplied the Company's money it was thereupon proposed that the said G Clark be suspended from receiving the Excise money or any other moneys on the Company's account for the future.

Resolved that George Clark our agent at Winster in Derbyshire be suspended from being the Company's cashier and that he receive no more money from the Excise or draw any Bills for the future.

Resolved that Joseph Whitfield the Company's agent at Bowers Mill near Chesterfield in Derbyshire impowered and he is hereby impowered to receive the Excise money for the Round of Bakewell and Out Rides in Derbyshire in the room of G Clarke and that he draw on the Governor and Company for the same.

The Deputy Governor informed the Court that he yesterday purchased at a public sale at Lloyds Coffee House the 930 pieces of lead which the Company shipped at Chester on board the St Ann & St Ritte Captain Gondrie in command, in March 1744 and was taken by a Spanish Privateer and retaken by His Majesty ships the Wolfe and Fly at £11 17s 6d fodder of 19 1/2 cwt, he offers to the Company at the same price. This offer was accepted.

31st May 1744 LLC 10

Received £699 16s for 7 ingots of standard Newcastle & Welsh silver sent to the mint (2708 oz 18 pw).

Reported that the counterpart of a lease with Mr Glegg in relation to a revisionary lease of the mines of Prestatyn had been executed.

6th June 1744 LLC 10

Leases of Old Shildon, New Shildon and Jeffreys mines were executed by Coulson Skottowe Esq. and the Company's seal attached to the counterpart.

28th June 1744 LLC 10

Received £290 3s 8d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1123 oz 6 pw).

19th July 1744 LLC 10

Jocelyn Farrington the present Secretary having some time since acquainted the Court of his intention of quitting the Company's service in a short time.

Resolved. That Robert Mackintosh the present Accountant be appointed the Company's Secretary so soon as the said Jocelyn Farrington shall quit the Company's Service on condition he gives the Company the usual security.

16th August 1744 LLC 10

1000 pieces of lead at Newcastle sold to Messrs Stainbank & Creed for £11 per fodder (£788 17s)

2nd August 1744 LLC 10

Resolved that Robert Aslett be appointed accountant to this Company provided he gives security in the sum of five hundred pounds for his faithful discharge of the said office.

Resolved that the said accountants salary be sixty pounds per annum.

23rd August 1744 LLC 10

Received £1062 9s 4d for 11 ingots of standard Newcastle & Welsh silver sent to the mint (4112 oz 16 pw).

28th August 1744 LLC 10

Anthony Barker had given notice that he desired to leave the Company's service. John Norman was appointed Chief Agent in Wales in his place.

13th September 1744 LLC 10

Received £263 12s 2d for standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1020 oz 8 pw).

18th September 1744 LLC 10

Received £267 9s 8d for standard silver from Wanlockhead sent to the mint (1035 oz 8 pw).

20th September 1744 LLC 10

Received £410 7s 5d for 5 ingots of standard Newcastle silver sent to the mint (1588 oz 11 pw).

27th September 1744 LLC 10

Received £234 15s 8d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (908 oz 17 pw).

4th October 1744 LLC 10

Charles Brown was appointed the Company's Chief agent at Bagilt Colliery at a salary of £40 per annum with an allowance of a house, coals, and candles from Michaelmas last.

16th October 1744 LLC 10

John Norman's salary was set at £110 yearly and he was allowed £30 yearly for extraordinary expenses.

15th November 1744 LLC 10

John Morgan agent at the White Lead House salary was to be £60 per annum from Christmas next.

29th November 1744 LLC 10

Received £751 5s 3d for 9 ingots of standard North & Welsh silver sent to the mint (2908 oz 2 pw).

20th December 1744 LLC 10

A gratuity of £50 was given to Thomas Westgarth for his faithful service.

21st December 1744 LLC 10

Received £191 10s 11d for 2 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (741 oz 10 pw).

4th January 1745 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

Mr Cornelius Mason Governor

Mr Thomas Hyam, Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Clement Bellamy

Mr Robert Browne

Waldo Du Bois Esq

Mr Thomas Gordon

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr William Hodgson

Mr Timothy Colston

Lascelles Metcalfe Esq.

Mr John Peel

Mr Michael Russell jnr

Sollom Emlyn Esq.

Capt Nathaniel Werry

14th February 1745 LLC 10

Received £449 9s for 5 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (1739 oz 16 pw).

19th February 1745 LLC 10

Read over the copy of a lease of mines in Aldston Moor from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital to George Liddell Esq. and others, and a rough draught of an assignment from Sir Henry Liddell Esq. and others to the Company of Redgroves at Nenthead, Rampgill and Browngill mines being part of the mines demised in the above mentioned lease, and ordered a copy of the said assignment to be taken.

28th February 1745 LLC 10

Received £170 5s for 2 ingots 567 oz 10 pw Scotch silver sold to John Blatchford at 6s per oz.

7th March 1745 LLC 10

Received £124 6s 4d for 2 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (481 oz 4 pw).

28th March 1745 LLC 10

Received £197 6s 7d for 2 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (763 oz 17 pw).

3rd April 1745 LLC 10

Took into consideration the respective branches of the Company's business to be allotted to John Norman and Thomas Pickering.

Resolved that John Norman's business to be have the care and direction of the Company's several Mines, Colliery, and Smelting houses in Wales and that Thomas Pickering's business be to keep the Company's cash and accounts and to have the care of selling and shipping the Company's lead and coals with the necessary correspondence relating thereto.

Resolved that Thomas Pickering be allowed an assistant for the purpose for the purpose aforesaid.

5th April 1745 LLC 10

Took into consideration the respective salaries of John Norman and Thomas Pickering in regard of the business respectively allotted to them by order of the Court of the 3rd instant.

Resolved that John Norman's salary be £100 per annum from Ladyday last.

Resolved that Thomas Pickering's salary from Ladyday last be £100 per annum besides the annual allowance of £30 for entertainment of persons who shall resort to him about the Company's business.

Resolved that Thomas Pickering's habitation be fixed in the Company's house at Gadlis, and that the house be enlarged with proper additions and divided into two distinct houses, the one for John Norman and the other for Thomas Pickering to be set out and allocated by such of the Court of Assistants as shall next go down to Wales.

And whereas the said Thomas Pickering hath had extraordinary trouble in bringing up the books of accounts which were left unsettled by James Blondel (previous accountant at Gadlis, deceased) also about the sale of lead and coals, shipping correspondence &c. and hath been and will be put to expense in removing his habitation.

Resolved that he be allowed a gratuity of £60 for the same.

5th April 1745 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next and that warrants for the same be ready to be delivered on Wednesday the 26th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

2nd May 1745 LLC 10

Received £228 13s 5d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (885 oz 3 pw).

6th May 1745 LLC10

Read over an assignment from Sir Henry Liddell and others to the Governor and Company of sundry mines in Alston Moor in the County of Cumberland held by lease under the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital and executed a counterpart of the same.

£600 paid to Sir Henry Liddell being the consideration money mentioned in the above assignment.

Read over and examined the lease from Edward Wortley Esq. to the Governor and Company of lead mines in Wensleydale in Yorkshire.

16th May 1745 LLC 10

£312 11s 10d paid to Coulson Skottowe Esq. in full for the duty ore of Jeffrey's and Shildon mines to Christmas last.

30th May 1745 LLC 10

Received £144 3s 2d for 2 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (588 oz 1 pw).

8th June 1745 LLC 10

Mr Thomas Westgarth the Company's chief agent in the North attended and reported the state of the Company's works in Derbyshire and the North and at the same time gave in his security for the faithful discharge of his office. Viz.

A bond by himself and Anthony Watson of Swinhope Shield in the Parish of Allendale in the County of Northumberland in the penalty of five hundred pounds.

13th June 1745 LLC 10

Received £570 1s 7d for 8 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (2206 oz 15 pw).

18th June 1745 LLC 10

Sold 500 pieces of lead to Thomas Chitty at £11 7s 6d per fodder (£484 11s)

Read over and executed the lease of Redgrove and other mines in Aldston Moor from the governor and Company to John Vipond and others and ordered the same to be sent to Thomas Westgarth.

27th June 1745 LLC 10

Received £149 15s 1d for 2 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (579 oz 14 pw).

Sold to Messrs Steinbank & Creed 1499 pieces of Derbyshire lead at £11 7s 6d per fodder.

11th July 1745 LLC 10

Thomas Ward appointed assistant accountant in Wales at the yearly salary of £40 to commence from Midsummer last. He gave security in the sum of £400 for the faith full discharge of his service.

29th July 1745 LLC 10

Agreed with Mrs Mary Ann Blondel for the sum of £410 to be paid by her, to release her of all demands which the Company had against her as executor for her son James Blondel the Company's late accountant in Wales.

1st August 1745 LLC 10

It having been thought upon the representation of those of the Court of Assistants who were last in Wales, most convenient to fit up the house on Mr Pierces ground near adjoining to the Company's house at Gadlis for the Company's accountant in Wales, by making addition and improvements thereto.

Resolved that the said house be enlarged and improved according to the plan settled by those Gentlemen and that the garden there to belonging, and that part of the great garden which ranges therewith and also the new garden on the left side of the road going up to the hill go

along with the said house and that the garden on the right side of the road going up to the hill, go along with Gadlis house.

Letters of Administration dated 7th May 1745 granted by the Archbishop of Canterbury of the effects of Wight Woolley late of Clapham in the County of Surrey Esq., deceased to Houlton Woolley Esq., were exhibited & allowed.

Houlton Woolley Esq., took the oath appointed by the Charter & was accordingly admitted a member of this Corporation.

The Probate of the will of Dorothy Peartree late of the Parish of St Paul Shadwell in the County of Middlesex, widow, deceased under the seal of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury appointing Richard Peartree her son sole executor was exhibited and allowed.

8th August 1745 LLC 10

Received £231 3s 8d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (894 oz 18 pw).

15th August 1745 LLC 10

60 tons of lead sold to Messrs Abraham & Jacob Franco at £10 5s ton at Gadlis (£705 1s 9d).

29th August 1745 LLC 10

Received £210 3s 2d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (813 oz 10 pw).

There having been some difference between the Company & Messrs Silvanus & Timothy Bevan and Richard Champion in relation to the accounts of Silver Mines in Ireland. Agreed with them to refer the same, & in pursuance thereof executed a Bond under the Common Seal conditioned for standing to the award of Thomas Hall of Great Ormond Street Esq., Ezekiel Hall of Crutched Friars Esq., and John Hanbury of Tower Street, Merchant, arbitrators, or any two of them so that the same be made in writing and delivered by the 20th November next, and also agreed that the same be made a rule of the Court of the Kings Bench.

5th September 1745 LLC 10

Executed the counterpart of a lease of Silver Rake in the parish of Skeviog in Flintshire dated 11th November 1743 from Sir Robert Grosvenor.

10th October 1745 LLC 10

Received £639 10s 11d for 8 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (2475 oz 13 pw).

17th October 1745 LLC 10

Received £159 13s 9d for 2 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (618 oz 3 pw).

31st October 1745 LLC 10

Received £165 9s 2d for 2 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (640 oz 10 pw).

7th November 1745 LLC 10

Executed the counterpart of a lease from Mr John Pierce of Hollywell to the Governor and Company of a house and lands in Bagilt Flintshire.

28th November 1745 LLC 10

Received £123 19s 3d for 2 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (479 oz 17 pw).

19th December 1745 LLC 10

Received £279 7s 9d for 3 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (1081 oz 10 pw).

The Probate of the will of John Creed late of the Parish of St Dunston in the East London Batchelor, deceased under the seal of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury appointing Sir James Creed & Thomas Creed executors was exhibited & allowed.

3rd January 1746 LLC 10

Sold to the United East India Company 200 fothers of lead at £11 15s per fother.

3rd January 1746 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

Mr Cornelius Mason Governor
 Mr Thomas Hyam, Deputy Governor
 Assistants

Mr Thomas Boddington	Mr Timothy Colston
Mr Robert Browne	Lascelles Metcalfe Esq.
Waldo Du Bois Esq	Mr John Peel
Mr Thomas Gordon	Mr Michael Russell jnr
Mr John Plant	Sollom Emlyn Esq.
Mr William Hodgson	Capt Nathaniel Werry

9th January 1746 LLC 10

Sir James Creed took the oath appointed by the Charter and was accordingly admitted a member of this Corporation.

16th January 1746 LLC 10

Received £297 9s 8d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1151 oz 11 pw).

23rd January 1746 LLC 10

Received £249 11s 10d for 3 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (966 oz 3 pw)

20th February 1746 LLC 10

Received £216 12s 11d for 3 ingots standard North silver sent to the mint (838 oz 13 pw)

27th February 1746 LLC 10

16 ton 1 qtr 21 lb. lead sold to Messrs Peter & Nicholas Gondolfi at £12 15s fodder shipped to Leghorn.

5th March 1746 LLC 10

The secretary reported that the insurers on the ship Providence Capt. George Posgate (which ship is lost) having promised an assignment to them of the Governor and Company's right and interest in their lead shipped on board the said ship, to pay to the said Governor and Company the sum of seven hundred pounds insured thereon deducting two pounds.

20th March 1746 LLC 10

Sold 20 fothers lead at £11 2s 6d to Thomas Chitty.
 Sold 45 fothers of lead at £11 15s to East India Company.

27th March 1746 LLC 10

Received £280 5s 1d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1084 oz 17 pw).

4th April 1746 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Monday 30th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

17th April 1746 LLC 10

Received £131 14s 9d for 471 oz 18 pw of Scotch silver sold to John Blatchford at 5s 7d per oz.

24th April 1746 LLC 10

Received £195 13s 4d for 3 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (757 oz 8 pw).

1st May 1746 LLC 10

Received £282 3s 10d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1092 oz 7 pw).
£582 14s 2d paid to Coulson Skottowe Esq. for Duty ore at Jeffreys and Shildon mines for one year to 31st December last.

8th May 1746 LLC 10

£150 received from Messrs Silvanus and Timothy Bevan, £150 from John Bland and Son. These two last sums of £150 each were received in performance of an award made by Ezekiel Hall Esq., Thomas Hall Esq. and Mr John Hanbury arbitrators mutually chosen to settle all differences relating to the accounts of Silver mines (In Ireland); and in further performance of the said award Releases were this day executed from the Governor and Company, under their common seal, to the said Silvanus and Timothy Bevan and Richard Champion.

22nd May 1746 LLC 10

Received £329 19s 9d for 5 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (1277 oz 7 pw).

5th June 1746 LLC 10

Received £359 10s 6d for 4 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (1391 oz 14 pw).

12th June 1746 LLC 10

Received £211 1s 0d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (816 oz 19 pw)

28th June 1746 LLC 10

The articles of agreement between the Company and Thomas Lanchester for working Bagilt Colliery, expiring on the 6th July next; Thomas Lanchester attended the Court with proposals for working the said colliery for another year, which proposals were taken into consideration, and an agreement was made with him to raise 120 Tons of coal weekly at 2/6 per Ton for one year to commence the 7th instant under the several conditions expressed in articles to be executed by him, and the Company's agent at Gadlis as soon as conveniently maybe. Resolved that £10 a year be added to George Pantoune's salary of £30 to commence from Midsummer last. (*George Pantoune was the clerk of the Company's colliery at Bagilt*)

10th July 1746 LLC 10

Received £277 17s 6d for 4 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1075 oz 13 pw).

24th July 1746 LLC 10

Sold to Thomas Hyam & sons 150 tons lead at £10 7s 6d per ton on shore at Gadlis.

14th August 1746 LLC 10

Received £241 8s 5d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (934 oz 11 pw).

21st August 1746 LLC 10

Received £234 14s 4d for 3 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (908 oz 12 pw).

28th August 1746 LLC 10

Received £207 12s 10d for 3 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (803 oz 15 pw).

4th September 1746 LLC 10

Received £141 0s 8d for 2 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (545 oz 19 pw).
 Proceeded to the election of a Secretary in the room of Robert Mackintosh deceased, when Robert Aslett was elected, he giving good security for one thousand pounds.

11th September 1746 LLC 10

Received £214 4s 9d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (829 oz 6 pw)

18th September 1746 LLC 10

Alexander Forbes was elected as Accountant to the Company and gave security of £500.

25th September 1746 LLC 10

Received £49 19s 0d the produce of 1 ingot of Scotch silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (178 oz 18 pw based on 5s 7d oz).

2nd October 1746 LLC 10

Received £299 10s 10d for 4 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (1159 oz 10 pw).

16th October 1746 LLC 10

Received £593 3s 11d for 8 ingots of standard North & Welsh silver sent to the mint (2296 oz 5 pw).

21st October 1746 LLC 10

Received £193 3s 3d for 3 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (747 oz 14 pw).

23rd October 1746 LLC 10

Received £267 7s 1d for 4 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1034 oz 18 pw).

30th October 1746 LLC 10

Received £86 14s 1d for 1 ingot of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (310 oz 12 pw based on 5s 7d oz).

4th December 1746 LLC 10

Received £332 5s 10d for 4 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1286 oz 6 pw).

18th December 1746 LLC 10

Received £364 10s 9d for 5 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (1411 oz 2 pw).

25th December 1746 LLC 10

Received £274 6s 11d for 4 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1061 oz 19 pw).

3rd January 1747 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Cornelius Mason Governor

Mr Thomas Hyam, Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Thomas Boddington

Mr Robert Browne

Waldo Du Bois Esq

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr John Plant

Mr Clement Bellamy

Mr Timothy Colston

Lascelles Metcalfe Esq.

Mr John Peel

Mr Michael Russell jnr

Sollom Emlyn Esq.

Capt Nathaniel Werry

15th January 1747 LLC 10

Received £491 10s 3d for 7 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (1902 oz 12 pw).
Received £210 9s 10d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (814 oz 16 pw).

12th February 1747 LLC 10

Paid £55 13s to Euseby Silvester being the consideration money for an Assignment which he this day made to the Company of a lease of mines in Birchover Liberty in Derbyshire.
Thomas How signed the affirmation in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter and was accordingly admitted a member of this Corporation.

19th February 1747 LLC 10

Received £210 11s 6d for 2 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (815 oz 3 pw).

5th March 1747 LLC 10

Received £233 8s 0d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (903 oz 10 pw).

12th March 1747 LLC 10

£682 11s 6d was received from Mr Charles Childs for £700 insured on lead in the Providence Captain George Posgate which ship is lost coming from Newcastle.

2nd April 1747 LLC 10

Received £264 14s 0d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1024 oz 13 pw).

23 April 1747 LLC 10

£30 paid to Mark Thurston Esq. being for one years rent due noon Ladyday last for mines in Priorsdale in Cumberland leased to the Company by William Hodgson.

30th April 1747 LLC 10

Received £266 19s 0d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1033 oz 7 pw).

21st May 1747 LLC 10

Received £771 8s 9d for 9 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (2986 oz 4 pw).

28th May 1747 LLC 10

Sold to James Creed 1151 pieces of Derbyshire lead at £11 10s fother.
Sold to Messrs Hull & Ellill 1151 pieces of Derbyshire lead at £11 10s fother.

4th June 1747 LLC 10

Received £224 13s 3d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (869 oz 13 pw).
Sold to Thomas Chitty 500 pieces of lead at £11 10s fother.

11th June 1747 LLC 10

Mr Daniel Wren signed the affirmation in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter & was accordingly admitted a member of this Corporation.

Resolved that the following proposals be made to the Honourable William Powlett Esq., for taking a mining lease of his Liberty in the Manor of Marrick in the County of York.

“The Governor and Company for the Smelting down Lead with Pitcoal and Seacoal propose to take a mining lease of the whole liberty belonging to the Honourable William Powlett Esq. in the Lordship of Harrich in the County of York, for 31 years at one eighth Farm of smelted lead or provided they have a lease of the Smelt mills and other houses belonging thereto and of the houses wherein the agents and workmen live, Smithy, Store houses, Woodyards, &c. together with such farms of lands as have been heretofore let at old rents.”

This proposal was sent to William Powlett.

25th June 1747 LLC 10

Sold to Thomas Stainbank 1500 pieces of lead at £11 10s fother.

2nd July 1747 LLC 10

Received £171 8s 8d for 2 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (663 oz 12 pw).

9th July 1747 LLC 10

Sold to Thomas Stainbank 1225 pieces of lead at £12 fother.

23rd July 1747 LLC 10

Received £568 9s 3d for 7 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (2200 oz 10 pw).

Received £126 17s 7d for 2 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (491 oz 3 pw).

10th September 1747 LLC 10

Received £255 2s 11d for 3 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (987 oz 13 pw).

Received £121 9s 4d for 1 ingot of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (435 oz 2 pw based on 5s 7d oz).

8th October 1747 LLC 10

Received £316 19s 7 d for 4 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1227 oz 1 pw).

Received £229 3s 6d for 3 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (887 oz 2 pw).

Affixed the Company seal to the counterpart of a lease from Sir Thomas Longueville of the two parcels of lands in Trelogan in the Parish of Llanhasa in Flintshire for 21 years dated 29th March 1746.

Mr Joseph Salomons, Mr Thomas Smyth, & Mrs Mary Grew took the oath appointed by the Charter and were accordingly admitted members of this Corporation.

22nd October 1747 LLC 10

Received £416 14s 3d for 5 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (1613 oz 1 pw).

Sold to Abraham & Jacob Franco 5 tons of lead at £12 17s 6d fother on board.

Forty Tons of the Company's Newcastle lead had been shipped aboard the Britannia Capt Peter Mauger for Leghorn.

12th November 1747 LLC 10

Received £312 6s 1d for 4 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (1208 oz 18 pw).

19th November 1747 LLC 10

Received £341 18s 3d for 4 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the mint (1323 oz 10 pw).

Received £93 19s 4d for 1 ingot of Scotch silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (336 oz 11 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

24th December 1747 LLC 10

Received £281 6s 3d for 3 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (1088 oz 19 pw).

31st December 1747 LLC 10

Read over and fixed the Company's seal to the counter part of a lease from Thomas Skottowe Esq. of lead mines in Knuckton liberty in the manor of Blanchland in the County of Northumberland for 21 years to commence from 29th September 1747.

5th January 1748 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Cornelius Mason Governor

Mr Thomas Hyam, Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Thomas Boddington

Mr Robert Browne

Waldo Du Bois Esq

Mr Clement Bellamy

Mr John Plant

Mr William Hodgson

Mr Timothy Colston

Lascelles Metcalfe Esq.

Mr John Peel

Mr Michael Russell jnr

Sollom Emlyn Esq.

John Tucker Esq.

14th January 1748 LLC 10

Received £552 12s 6d for 7 ingots of standard North & Welsh silver sent to the mint 2139 oz 4 pw).

11th February 1748 LLC 10

Received £479 1s 11d for 5 ingots of standard North silver sent to the mint (1854 oz 11 pw).

3rd April 1747 LLC 38

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Monday 29th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

5th April 1748 LLC 38

A General Court

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Monday 27th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

7th April 1748 LLC 10

Received £176 14s 6d for 2 ingots of Scotch silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (633 oz 1 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

28th April 1748 LLC 10

Received £723 17s 0d for 8 ingots of standard North & Welsh silver sent to the mint (2802 oz).

5th May 1748 LLC 10

Sold to Thomas Stainbank 3000 pieces of Newcastle lead at £11 5s (London fother).

12th May 1748 LLC 10

Received £174 10s 10d for 2 ingots of Scotch silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (625 oz 4 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

26th May 1748 LLC 10

The Company having no further occasion for their Workhouse at Benthall in Shropshire ordered Mr William Ferriday to surrender up the lease to the landlord.

2nd June 1748 LLC 10

The Company purchased from the Duke of Rutland a wood, called Hill Wood in the County of Derby for £800, the whole wood to be cleared by Michaelmas 1752.

16th June 1748 LLC 10

Received £858 16s 10d for 8 ingots of standard North & Welsh silver sent to the mint (3324 oz 11 pw).

Received £128 5s 3d for ingot of Scotch silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (459 oz 9 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

23rd June 1748 LLC 10

Sold to William Stratton 5000 pieces of Newcastle lead at £11 15s fother delivered to London.

30th June 1748 LLC 10

Received £548 10s 7d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (2123 oz 7 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

Sold 2066 pieces of Newcastle lead to Messrs Hull & Ellill at £11 15s fother delivered in London.

28th July 1748 LLC 10

Received £311 5s 8d for 3 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (1115 oz 1 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

11th August 1748 LLC 10

Received £630 4s 8d for 7 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (2257 oz 11 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

31st August 1748 LLC 10

Resolved that the Company erect a fire engine with a cylinder of 40 inches at Mill Close mine in Derbyshire.

Mr Thomas Westgarth made and signed the affirmation in lieu of the oath appointed by the Charter and was accordingly admitted of member of this Corporation.

8th September 1748 LLC 10

Sold to the East India Company 800 pieces of Newcastle lead at £11 15s fother.

22nd September 1748 LLC 10

£366 9s 4d received at the Royal Exchange assurance office after deductions for loss and damages done by fire at the Company's White Lead Works at Limehouse.

27th September 1748 L.L.C 10

The Governor reported that pursuant to the direction of the Court of the 22nd instant he had bought fifty East India Bonds of one hundred pounds each.

John Smith be appointed chief agent in the North in the room of Thomas Westgarth deceased. And that his salary be one hundred pounds to commence from Michaelmas next.

10th November 1748 LLC 10

Received £978 15s 3d for 10 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (3506 oz based on 5s 7d per oz).

17th November 1748 LLC 10

Received £367 12s 2d for 4 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the tower (1423 oz).

1st December 1748 LLC 10

Received £197 18s 10d for 2 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the tower (766 oz 5 pw).

Received £377 1s 4d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (1350 oz 13 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

8th December 1748 LLC 10

Received the security bond of John Smith the chief agent in the North for the sum of five hundred pounds.

3rd January 1749 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Cornelius Mason Governor

Mr Thomas Hyam, Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Thomas Boddington

Mr Robert Browne

Mr Frances Cooper

Mr Jacob Hagen

Capt Nathaniel Werry

Mr William Hodgson

Mr Timothy Colston

Lascelles Metcalfe Esq.

Thomas Salter Esq.

Mr Michael Russell jnr

Sollom Emlyn Esq.

John Tucker Esq.

12th January 1749 LLC 10

Received £387 15s 7d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (1353 oz 5 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

Received £323 1s 4d for 4 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the tower (1250 oz 11 pw).

24th January 1749 LLC 10

Read over and compared two leases with the counterparts from Robert Ord Esq. to this Company of mines and lands in the manor of Hunstanworth in the County of Durham for twenty one years commencing the first of May 1748.

Memorandum. The lease of the lands and mill was for twenty one years commencing May 1st 1748 and of the mines for twenty one years commencing August 1st 1748.

25th January 1749 LLC 10

Affixed the Company's seal to the counterparts of the leases from Robert Ord Esq. Viz. of Ramshaw mine etc. in the manor of Hunstanworth for twenty one years commencing the first of August 1748 and the lands and mill in the said manor of Hunstanworth for twenty one years from the first of May 1748.

26th January 1749 LLC 10

Sold to Thomas Stainbank 4520 pieces of lead at £11 10s fother.

16th February 1749 LLC 10

The Probate of the will of Thomas Thomas late of the Parish of St Martin Orgar, London deceased, under the seal of the prerogative Court of Canterbury appointing Peter Thomas & Thomas Thomas the sons of the said deceased executors was exhibited & allowed.

2nd February 1749 LLC 10

Sold to Thomas Stainbank 800 more pieces of lead at £11 10s fother.

23rd February 1749 LLC 10

Received £635 10s 6d for 7 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (2276 oz 10 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

13th March 1749 LLC 10

Read over and examined the leases from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital of Brownley Hill, Dowpotsyke and Longholehead East End and some mistakes being found therein, ordered them returned that they may be rectified.

29th March 1749 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 28th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

6th April 1749 LLC 10

Received £452 5s 8d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (1620 oz 2 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

13th April 1749 LLC 10

Received £259 5s 11d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the tower (1003 oz 14 pw).

25th May 1749 LLC 10

Received £456 11s 2d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (1635 oz 9 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

1st June 1749 LLC 10

Received £250 3s 4d for 3 ingots of standard Welsh silver sent to the tower (968 oz 8 pw).

22nd June 1749 LLC 10

Received £630 17s 8d for North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (2259 oz 17 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

13th July 1749 LLC 10

Received £355 15s 8d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (1274 oz 9 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

27th July 1749 LLC 10

Received £666 1s 10d for 7 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (2386 oz based on 5s 7d per oz).

10th August 1749 LLC 10

The Probate of the will of John Freame late of Bush Hill in the Parish of Edmonton, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, under the seal of the prerogative Court of Canterbury bearing the date 7th April 1745 appointing Joseph Freame his son executor was exhibited & allowed.

31st August 1749 LLC 10

Received £402 19s 4d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (1443 oz 9 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

28th September 1749 LLC 10

Received £238 4s 6d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (853 oz 7 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

19th October 1749 LLC 10

Received £759 7s 7d for 7 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (2720 oz 3 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

9th November 1749 LLC 10

Received £484 10s 6d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (1735 oz 12 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

30th November 1749 LLC 10

Received £494 2s 10d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (1770 oz 1 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

7th December 1749 LLC 10

Received £187 14s 7d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (672 oz 9 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

21st December 1749 LLC 10

Received £677 19s 2d for 6 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (2428 oz 10 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

5th January 1750 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Cornelius Mason Governor

Mr Thomas Hyam, Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Thomas Boddington

Mr Francis Cooper

Jacob Hagen Esq.

William Ockenden Esq.

Thomas Salter Esq.

Mr William Hodgson

Mr Timothy Colston

Capt Nathaniel Werry

Mr John Peel

Mr Michael Russell jnr

Sollom Emlyn Esq.

John Tucker Esq.

10th January 1750 LLC 11

The Company's seal affixed to the counterpart of a lease from Sir Thomas Grey Egerton for Peny Ball Lane mine in the Parish of Holywell in the County of Flint for 21 years commencing 8th August 1750.

8th February 1750 LLC 10

Received £715 19s 9d for 7 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (2564 oz 15 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

11th February 1750 LLC 11

Read over the counterpart of the leases from Sir Richard Grosvenor of Silver Rake, Pe Y Forth Newith Rake, Old Rake and Moely Gaer, for 21 years from 26th November 1750, duty on lead ore 30/- per ton and on Calamy 20/- per ton.

8th March 1750 LLC 10

Received £565 16s 8d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (2026 oz 17 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

28th March 1750 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 27th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

29th March 1750 LLC 10

Received £135 11s 8d for 1 ingot of standard Welsh silver sent to the tower (524 oz 17 pw).

19th April 1750 LLC 10

Received £477 12s 3d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (1710 oz 17 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

10th May 1750 LLC 10

Received £385 17s 11d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (1382 oz 6 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

24th May 1750 LLC 10

Received £246 9s 8d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (882 oz 18 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

31st May 1750 LLC 10

Received £302 11s 3d for 2 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (1083 oz 16 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

5th July 1750 LLC 10

Received £410 1s 7d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (1468 oz 19 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

19th July 1750 LLC 10

Letters of Administration of the effects of William Ginn late of the Parish of St Saviours, Southwark, in the County of Surrey, widower, deceased, to Tralucia Stegar (wife of Hans Stegar) the natural lawful daughter & only child of the said deceased under the seal of the prerogative Court of Canterbury bearing the date 4th April 1750 was exhibited & allowed.

26th July 1750 LLC 10

Received £202 18s 2d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (726 oz 17 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

2nd August 1750 LLC 10

Received £391 4s 2d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (1401 oz 7 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

13th September 1750 LLC 11

Received £418 13s 4d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford (1499 oz 14 pw based on 5s 7d per oz).

27th September 1750 LLC 11

Sold to Messrs Wombwell & Grand 60 ton of lead at £13 5s fother.

11th October 1750 LLC 11

Sold 2410 pieces of lead at £11 15s fother of 19 1/2 cwt.

25th October 1750 LLC 11

Received £365 16s 5d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford at 5/5 1/2 oz (1340 oz 8 pw).

29th November 1750 LLC 11

Received £187 11s 6d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Alderman Blatchford at 5/6 oz (682 oz 2 pw).

13th December 1750 LLC 11

Received £784 8s 0d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford at 5/6 1/4 oz (2841 oz 12 pw).

20th December 1750 LLC 11

35 tons of lead sold to John Lodge at £13 fother to be shipped to Lisbon.

17th January 1751 LLC 11

Received £379 18s 9d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford at 5/5 oz (1402 oz 17 pw).

Received £160 16s 2d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sent to the tower (622 oz 10 pw).

1st January 1751 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Cornelius Mason Governor	
Mr Thomas Hyam, Deputy Governor	
Assistants	
Mr Thomas Boddington	Mr Robert Browne
Mr Francis Cooper	Capt Nathaniel Werry
Jacob Hagen Esq.	Mr John Peel
William Ockenden Esq.	Mr Henry Marshal
Thomas Salter Esq.	Lascells Metcalfe Esq.
Mr William Hodgson	John Tucker Esq.

31st January 1751 LLC 11

Received £392 15s 6d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford at 5/5 oz (1450 oz 5 pw).

Sold to Thomas Stainbank 970 pieces of lead at £11 15s 0d fother.

Sold to John Sanders 135 pieces of lead at £11 17s 6d fother (194 cwt 2 qtr 16 lb. value £118 10s 6d).

11th February 1751 LLC 11

Read and compared 4 leases with their counterparts from Sir Robert Grosvenor to Mr William Hodgson and Mr Robert Browne on behalf of this Company of 4 mines as hereunder in the County of Flint for 21 years from the 26th November 1750.

Lease of Silver Rake	Lead ore 30s ton	Calamy 20s ton
Lease of Pen y forth Newith Rake	“	“
Lease of Old Rake	“	“
Lease of Moel y Gaer	“	“

21st March 1751 LLC 11

The leases of Silver Rake, Pen y forth Newith Rake, Old Rake, Moel y Gaer were executed.

28th March 1751 LLC 11

Received £443 13s 6d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford at 5/4 1/2 oz (1650 oz 17 pw).

3rd April 1751**A General Court**

Resolved. That a extraordinary dividend of twenty shillings per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid on Wednesday the first next.

And also resolved that a further dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

Resolved that the dividend of 5 shillings per share be made payable on Wednesday the tenth day of July next.

13th April 1751 LLC 11

John Smith the Company's agent in the North was ordered to go over to Derbyshire to inspect the Company's mines, and also those of Mr Nightingale and give the Court his opinion thereon.

2nd May 1751 LLC 11

Received £168 5s 7d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sent to the tower (651 oz 8 pw).

Received £414 14s 8d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford at 5/4 1/2 oz (1543 oz 4 pw).

7th May 1851 LLC 11

Company seal was affixed to the counterpart of a lease from John Phillipson Esq. of Trelogan and other mines in the Hundred of Prestatyn in the County of Flint for 28 years and 8 months dated the 4th May 1751 commencing the 12 July 1752.

9th May 1851 LLC 11

£259 9s 4d paid to Coulson Skottowe which with £200 allowed by him in discharge of his fathers note for that sum, is in full for duty ore at Shildon and Jeffreys mines to 31st December last.

23rd May 1751 LLC 11

Received £503 6s 3d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford at 5/4 1/2 oz (1872 oz 16 pw).

1st August 1751 LLC 11

Received £547 11s 10d for 6 ingots of North silver sold to Alderman Blatchford at 5/4 3/4 oz (2029 oz 14 pw).

22nd August 1751 LLC 11

Received £365 10s 10d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/5 oz (1349 oz 14 pw).

12th September 1751 LLC 11

Received £335 8s 9d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/5 oz (1238 oz 11 pw).

19th September 1751 LLC 11

Received £245 14s 6d for 3 ingots of Welsh lead sent to the tower (951 oz 4 pw).

Read over and affixed the Company seal to the counterpart of the six following leases of mines in Aldston Moor from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital.

Longholehead East End,

otherwise Brighilburn Cross dated 4th May 1751 for 17 years

Dowpotsyke dated 17th April 1751 for 18 years

Longcleugh dated 5th April 1751 for 17 years

Shawfoot Sun Vein dated 7th May 1751 for 17 years

Middlecleugh dated 6th May 1751 for 17 years

Brownlyhill dated 16th April 1751 for 18 years

26th September 1751 LLC 11

Received £287 19s 4d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/51/4 oz (1059 oz 4 pw).

7th November 1751 LLC 11

Received £669 17s 3d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/53/4 oz (2445 oz 3 pw).

14th November 1751 LLC 11

Received £210 the half years interest due at Michaelmas last on 140 of the Company's East India Bonds amounting to £14,000 principal.

28th November 1751 LLC 11

Received £437 7s 2d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/6 oz (1590 oz 8 pw).

31st December 1751**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Cornelius Mason Governor

Mr Thomas Hyam, Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Robert Browne

Mr Francis Cooper

Lascells Metcalfe Esq.

William Ockenden Esq.

Thomas Salter Esq.

Mr William Hodgson

Mr Timothy Colston

Capt Nathaniel Werry

Mr John Peel

Mr Henry Marshal

Sollom Emlyn Esq.

John Tucker Esq.

6th January 1752 LLC 11

Joseph Whitfield the Company's agent being present, took into consideration the state of the Company's affairs in Derbyshire and drew up a memorial to be laid before the Duke of Devonshire relating to Yate Stoop mine and the Company's Low Level leading thereto.

9th January 1752 LLC 11

£60 paid to Elizabeth Barton for 2 years rent of Covert Fold and Clargilhead mines in the North due the 29th March 1749 when that lease expired.

Executed the lease of Sir Robert Grosvenor of Rawley's Rake and Maenbrase Hill dated 28th October 1751 for 21 years and ground near Moel Cria dated 28th October 1751 for 21 years.

23rd January 1752 LLC 11

Received £875 3s 6d for 7 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/51/2 oz (3206 oz 15 pw).

26th March 1752 LLC 11

Received £485 6s 6d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/51/2 oz (1778 oz 6 pw).

Sold 150 tons of lead to Messrs Stainbank & Freeman delivered at Gadlis for £12 15s ton of 2400 lbs.

Also sold to Messrs Stainbank & Freeman 799 pieces of lead delivered on shore at London at £12 15s 6d fother of 191/2 cwt.

3rd April 1752 LLC 38

A General Court

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 1st July next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

9th April 1752 LLC 11

Received £7 19s 4d for 29 oz 4 pw silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co.

30th April 1752 LLC 11

Received £371 1s 0d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/53/4 oz (1354 oz 8 pw).

7th May 1752 LLC 11

Received £270 13s 1d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/53/4 oz (987 oz 18 pw).

22nd May 1752 LLC 38

A Court for electing a Governor for the remainder of the present year in the room of Cornelius Mason Esquire, deceased.

Mr Thomas Hyam was duly elected Governor for the remainder of the present year.

3rd June 1752 LLC 38

A Court for electing a Deputy Governor for the remainder of the present year in the room of Mr Thomas Hyam, chosen Governor.

Mr Timothy Colston was duly elected Deputy Governor for the remainder of the present year.

25th June 1752 LLC 11

Received £605 18s 4d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/6 oz (2203 oz 7 pw).

16th July 1752 LLC 11

Received £278 0s 3d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/6 oz (1010 oz 19 pw).

30th July 1752 LLC 11

Received £615 8s 2d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/6 oz (2237 oz 17 pw).

13th August 1752 LLC 11

Received £254 7s 3d for 2 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/6 oz (924 oz 19 pw).

14th September 1752 LLC 11

Received £460 19s 6d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/61/4 oz (1669 oz 19 pw).

26th October 1752 LLC 11

£492 9s 2d paid to Coulson Skottowe for Duty ore at Shildon and Jeffreys mines to the 31st December last.

9th November 1752 LLC 11

Received £345 10s 11d for 3 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/61/2 oz (1247 oz 2 pw).

16th November 1752 LLC 11

Received £303 16s 8d 2 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/61/2 oz (1096 oz 11 pw).

29th November 1752 LLC 11

Received £477 being the interest due at Michaelmas last on one hundred and eighty one shares of East India bonds amount of £18,000 principal.

Read over the four following leases of mines in Aldston Moor from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital.

Goodamgill Moss or	
Goodamgill North Vein	dated 12 May 1751 for 20 years
Goodamgill Moss or	
Goodamgill South vein	dated 13 May 1751 for 20 years
Newberry or Newberry Side vein	dated 14 May 1751 for 20 years
Fairhill Flow Edge	dated 14 May 1751 for 19 years

30th November 1752 LLC 11

Received £246 13s 11d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/63/4 oz (886 oz 19 pw).

14th December 1752 LLC 11

Received £566 9s 4d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/63/4 oz (2036 oz 14 pw).

28th December 1752 LLC 11

Received £10 8s 3d for 35 oz 5 pw of silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co the remains of sundry parcels melted in the year 1752.

2nd January 1753 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Thomas Hyam Governor	
Mr Timothy Colston Deputy Governor	
Assistants	
Mr Thomas Boddington	Mr Robert Browne
Mr Francis Cooper	Capt Nathaniel Werry
Jacob Hagen Esq.	Mr John Peel
William Ockenden Esq.	Lascells Metcalfe Esq.
Thomas Salter Esq.	Sollom Emlyn Esq.
Mr Henry Marshall	John Tucker Esq.

10th January 1753 LLC 11

The Company seal was affixed to the following leases.

Goodamgill Moss or	
Goodamgill North Vein	dated 12 May 1751 for 20 years
Goodamgill Moss or	
Goodamgill South vein	dated 13 May 1751 for 20 years
Newberry or Newberry Side vein	dated 14 May 1751 for 20 years
Fairhill Flow Edge	dated 14 May 1751 for 19 years

22nd February 1753 LLC 11

Received £449 5s 7d for 3 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 1/4 oz (1603 oz 7 pw).

1st March 1753 LLC 11

Received £453 3s 10d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 1/4 oz (1617 oz 7 pw).

28th March 1753 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 27th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

19th April 1753 LLC 11

Received £399 18s 10d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 oz (1432 oz 12 pw).

17th May 1753 LLC 11

Received £229 16s 5d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 oz (823 oz 4 pw).

7th June 1753 LLC 11

Received £885 7s 5d for 6 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 1/4 oz (3159 oz 14 pw).

19th July 1753 LLC 11

Received £373 18s 0d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 1/4 oz (1334 oz 7 pw).

26th July 1753 LLC 11

Company's seal affixed to a counterpart of a lease of North Hugh Mine in the Parish of Thorkington (Probably Thockrington) in the County of Northumberland from George Deleval Esq. for 21 years from the 11th January 1753.

9th August 1753 LLC 11

Received £286 16s 10d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 oz (1027 oz 10 pw).

23rd August 1753 LLC 11

Affixed the Company's seal to a counterpart of a lease of mines called Newbiggen or Newbiggen Hope being a parcel of the manor of Bulbeck in the County of Durham from George Baker Esq. for sixteen years from the 24th June 1753.

30th August 1753 LLC 11

Received £537 0s 6d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 3/4 oz (1902 oz 7 pw).

20th September 1753 LLC 11

Received £536 2s 2d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 1/4 oz (1913 oz 4 pw).

3rd October 1753 LLC 11

John Norman the Company's agent at Gadlis requested to be moved to Trelogan and be the Company's agent there, this was agreed to at a salary of £50 per annum.

Philip Allwood at the Warehouse at Gadlis was thought to be unnecessary and he was discharged from Christmas next.

18th October 1753 LLC 11

Received £837 9s 5d for 6 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Dove & Co. at 5/7 1/4 oz (2988oz 14 pw).

1st November 1753 LLC 11

Received £371 11s 4d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Dove & Co. at 5/7 1/4 oz (1326 oz 1 pw).

8th November 1753 LLC 11

The Company's seal was affixed to the counterpart of a lease of mines called Perthengain Mynydds Avongoch in the Township of Aston in the County of Flint from Edward Mostyn for 21 years from 29th September 1753.

15th November 1753 LLC 11

Received £315 18s 5d for 3 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Messrs Dove & Co. at 5/7 1/4 oz (1127 oz 9 pw).

Paid £666 3s 2d to Coulson Skottowe in full for duty ore at Shildon and Jeffreys mines to the 31st December last.

22nd November 1753 LLC 11

Received £257 14s 11d for 2 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Dove & Co. at 5/7 1/4 oz (919 oz 17 pw).

27th December 1753 LLC 11

Received £801 10s 8d for 6 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Dove & Co. at 5/7 1/4 oz (2860 oz 10 pw).

31st December 1753 LLC 11

Received £9 13s 2d for 34 oz 12 pw of silver the remains of sundry parcels melted in the year 1753 sold to Messrs Dove & Co. at 5/7 oz.

31st December 1753 LLC 38

A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Thomas Hyam Governor
Mr Timothy Colston Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Thomas Boddington	Mr Robert Browne
Mr Francis Cooper	Capt Nathaniel Werry
Jacob Hagen Esq.	Mr William Hodgson
William Ockenden Esq.	Lascells Metcalfe Esq.
Thomas Salter Esq.	Sollom Emlyn Esq.
Mr Henry Marshall	Mr James Mathias

28th February 1754 LLC 11

Received £265 11s 6d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Messrs Dove & Co. at 5/7 1/4 oz (947 oz 15 pw).

14th March 1754 LLC 11

Received £984 3s 1d for 7 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Dove & Co. at 5/7 oz (3525 oz 6 pw).

5th April 1754 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

Resolved.. Also that an extraordinary dividend of ten shillings per share be made to the proprietors payable the first of May next.

16th May 1754 LLC 11

Received £172 17s 11d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Messrs Dove & Co. at 5/6 1/4 oz (626 oz 6 pw).

23rd May 1754 LLC 11

Received £749 6s 3d for 8 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Dove & Co. at 5/6 1/4 oz (2714 oz 10 pw).

28th May 1754 LLC 11

Peter Hodgson appointed Clerk and Superintendent at the White Lead Works at Limehouse at £50 per annum.

4th July 1754 LLC 11

Received £513 3s 3d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Dove & Co. at 5/5 3/4 oz (1873 oz 3 pw).

11th July 1754 LLC 11

Whereas Mr Germain Lavie on behalf of the Earl of Carlisle hath purchased of the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital all the dues of Lead mines in Aldstone Moor at £3 5s for the Bouse and £3 per Bing for the Cutting ore and whereas the Court hath agreed with the said Earl for all the dues of the mines which the Company hold of the said Hospital at the said prices the following agreement was signed by the said Mr Germaine Lavie.

Memorandum. It is this day agreed by William Germain Lavie on behalf of the Right Honourable the Earl of Carlisle and the Governor and Company for the Smelting down of Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal that the said Earl having purchased of the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital all Dues of lead ore arising to them from lead mines in Aldston Moor, he does hereby sell unto the said Governor and Company the Dues of the several mines which they the said Governor and Company have in their possession as lessees under the said Commissioners at the same price the said Earl to pay for them. Viz. Three pounds five shillings per Bing for the Bouse ore and Three pounds per Bing for the Cutting ore. The said Governor and Company to pay for the same at the time the said Earl is to pay the Commissioners of the Hospital.

18th July 1754 LLC 11

Received £371 19s 3d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Dove & Co. at 5/6 oz (1352 oz 11 pw).

12th September 1754 LLC 11

Received £738 3s 4d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/6 oz (2684 oz 5 pw).

3rd October 1754 LLC 11

Received £1077 6s 10d for 9 ingots of North silver sold to Peter Floyer at 5/6 1/4 oz (3902 oz 16 pw).

10th October 1754 LLC 11

Company's seal affixed to the counterpart of a lease from Cuthbert Wigham of Burnhouse in the County of Northumberland of mines in the Manor of Coanwood and Coanwood Forest for 31 years from 24th June 1754.

This lease was dated the 5th June 1753, at a duty of 1/7th part for the term of 31 years dated from 24th June 1752, for all mines, groves, rakes &c. in the Manor of Coanwood and Coanwood Forest, to search for lead and copper ore. If wished and agreed instead of receiving 1/7th part the Gov & Co to keep this if instead they pay when lead sells at Newcastle at £12 per Ton 45 shillings for good ore and 40 shillings for waste ore per Bing, the price per Bing to increase 1 shilling if the price at Newcastle goes up 5 shillings and reduce 1 shilling likewise. The price of ore being taken on the 24th June of every year at Newcastle. On the 9th August 1758 Cuthbert Wigham agreed to sell the Manor of Coanwood including mine and quarries to William Ord of Fenham for £2,100, actual transfer of property was dated 2 January 1759.

24th October 1754 LLC 11

A gratuity of £10 given to John Teasdale for his extraordinary services.

7th November 1754 LLC 11

The Company's seal was affixed to a counterpart of a lease of the mines of Boltshope in the County of Durham from Coulson Skottowe Esq. for twenty one years from 1st January 1752.

21st November 1754 LLC 11

Received £597 19s 6d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Peter Floyer at 5/6 oz (2174 oz 9 pw).

31st December 1754 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Thomas Hyam Governor
Mr Timothy Colston Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr John Crellius	Mr Robert Browne
Deputy James Ennis	Mr William Palmer
Jacob Hagen Esq.	John Tucker Esq.
William Ockenden Esq.	Lascells Metcalfe Esq.
Mr Jacob Warner	Mr James Mathias
Mr Henry Marshall	Mr William Pitts

2nd January 1755 LLC 11

Executed the lease from Sir Robert Grosvenor of three mines.

Old Rake Southward in Halkin Mountain 1st June 1754 for 21 years

Lanwarras Mountain in the County of Denbigh 1st June 1754 for 21 years

Rhes y Cae Swamp in the County of Flint 1st June 1754 for 21 years.

9th January 1755 LLC 11

Received £528 18s 3d for 5 ingots of North silver and 2 pieces of silver being the remains of sundry parcels melted in the year 1754 sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/5 3/8 oz (1941 oz 14 pw).

16th January 1755 LLC 11

Received £296 10s 9d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/53/8 oz (1088 oz 12 pw).

23rd January 1755 LLC 11

It was agreed to build a brew house for making vinegar at the White Lead Works at Limehouse at a cost of £139.

20th February 1755 LLC 11

Received £491 17s 10d for 4 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Peter Floyer at 5/41/2 oz (1830 oz 6 pw).

3rd March 1755 LLC 11

Mr Whitfield was ordered to renew the lease of Bowers Mill for 15 years longer pursuant to the liberty reserved therein for receiving the same.

4th April 1755 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 25th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

8th May 1755 LLC 11

Received £649 11s 6d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/41/4 oz (2417 oz 1 pw).

12th June 1755 LLC 11

Paid £628 5s 4d to Coulson Skottowe in full for duty ore at Shildon and Jeffreys mine to 31st December last.

3rd July 1755 LLC 11

Received £710 5s 9d for 6 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/41/2 oz (2642 oz 18 pw).

Whereas Mr Germain Lavie on behalf of the Earl of Carlisle hath on the 2nd instant purchased of the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital all the Dues of the lead mines in Alston Moor at 57/- per Bing for Bouse and 52/- per Bing for Cutting ore and whereas the Court hath agreed with the said Earl for all the dues of the mines which the Company hold of the said Hospital at the said prices the following agreement was signed by Mr Germain Lavie.

Memorandum.

It is this day agreed by William Germain Lavie on behalf of the Right Honourable the Earl of Carlisle and the Governor and Company for the Smelting down of Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal that the said Earl having purchased of the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital all Dues of lead ore arising to them from lead mines in Aldston Moor, he does hereby sell unto the said Governor and Company the Dues of the several mines which they the said Governor and Company have in their possession as lessees under the said Commissioners at the same price the said Earl to pay for them. Viz. Fifty seven shillings per Bing for the Bouse ore and fifty two shillings per Bing for the Cutting ore. The said Governor and Company to pay for the same at the time the said Earl is to pay the Commissioners of the Hospital.

24th July 1755 LLC 11

Received £553 7s 8d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Peter Floyer at 5/41/2 oz (2059 oz 2 pw).

25th August 1755 LLC 11

Took into consideration a letter received by the Governor from Alexander Telfer Esq. of Wanlockhead dated the 15 August with proposals from him to work Calves vein under level at Wanlockhead during the terms the Company have in their lease.

Resolved to accept his offer of one thousand pounds for that liberty and ordered a letter to be drawn up accordingly.

4th September 1755 LLC 11

Received £630 3s 8d for 7 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/41/4 oz (2354 oz 16 pw).

2nd October 1755 LLC 11

Received £247 12s 7d for 6 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/41/4 oz (924 oz 19 pw).

7th October 1755 LLC 11

Resolved that it is very proper to give directions for the better security of the lead lying at Blaydon and that Mr. Tyzack be wrote on that subject.

Resolved that it is the opinion of this Court that Mr John Smith do go into Wales and Derbyshire so soon as the Company's affairs in the North under his care will permit, to view the Company's mines and works in those parts and make a report thereof.

Resolved that it is the opinion of this Court that a present of thirty guineas be made to Mrs Gordon wife of Thomas Gordon Esq. from whom the Company have lately taken a lease of mines in the Barony of Aston North Britain, it being usual in Scotland to make a compliment to the lady on these occasions.

Resolved that it is the opinion of this Court that a gratuity of fifty pounds be given to Mr. John Smith the Company's chief agent in the North of England for extraordinary Services.

23rd October 1755 LLC 11

Sold to John Ellill 852 pieces of Derbyshire lead at £15 15s fother.

Sold to the East India Company 40 tons of Newcastle lead at £15 10s fother.

30th November 1755 LLC 11

Received £390 4s 6d for 4 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/41/4 oz (1457 oz 13 pw).

11th December 1755 LLC 11

Received £780 8s 9d for 7 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/41/4 oz (2915 oz 5 pw).

31st December 1755 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Thomas Hyam Governor

Mr Timothy Colston Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Francis Cooper

Mr John Crellius

Jacob Hagen Esq.

Mr William Palmer

Mr William Pitts

John Tucker Esq.

Mr Robert Browne

Mr Deputy James Ennis

Mr James Mathias

Lascells Metcalfe Esq.

Mr Jacob Warner

Mr Simeon Warner

8th January 1756 LLC 11

Sold 30 tons of Newcastle lead at £15 2s 6d fother to the East India Company.

22nd January 1756 LLC 11

Received £316 6s 7d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/43/4 oz (1172 oz 9 pw).

12th February 1756 LLC 11

Paid £77 19s to Pyke Edsall & Son for 40 half barrels of Gunpowder sent to the Company's works in the North.

4th March 1756 LLC 11

Received £649 10 0d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/41/2 oz (2416 oz 15 pw).

Sold 100 tons 1 cwt 2 qtr 11 lb. lead to Messrs Stainbank and Freeman shipped at Gadlis on board the Providence, Captain James Scott bound for London at £15 per Gadlis ton on board. Sold Robert Willis 200 pieces of Newcastle lead at £15 fother.

11th March 1756 LLC 11

Sold Robert Willis 100 pieces of Newcastle lead at £15 fother.

18th March 1756 LLC 11

The Governor attended a meeting of the creditors of Nathan Modigliani of London, merchant, who owed the company £162 6s 8d.

Also the secretary attended the Commissioners of Bankruptcy to prove a debt of £240 2s 6d due to the Company from Messrs Thomas & Francis Hodgson.

25th March 1756 LLC 11

Paid £54 3s 4d for the freight of 2,000 pieces of lead shipped from Newcastle to London.

2nd April 1756 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 30th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

15th April 1756 LLC 11

Received £280 6s 1d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/4 oz (1051 oz 2 pw).

Sold Robert Willis 600 pieces of Newcastle lead at £14 15s fother.

13th May 1756 LLC 11

Received £365 1s 4d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/4 oz (1369 oz).

20th May 1756 LLC 11

Received £99 for 1 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/4 oz (371 oz 5 pw).

29th July 1756 LLC 11

Received £413 2s 7d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/31/2 oz (1561 oz 8 pw).

To the Honourable Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs.

The memorial of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal.

That the said Company have lead mines in the Counties of Northumberland, Cumberland and Bishopric of Durham.

That the ore raised out of them is smelted and run into Pigs of lead at mills adjacent to their mines.

That the Pigs of lead are sent from the mills by land carriage to Blaydon (a place on the River Tyne about seven miles above Newcastle) where the said Company lodge it in readiness for sale or for shipping it from thence to London and any of the outports or for Exportation to Foreign parts.

That it hath been usual to land the lead at Newcastle when brought from Blaydon before the shipping it in the vessels for other parts.

That the doing this is very considerable charge to the said Company and they apprehend no benefit to the revenue.

Wherefore the said Governor and Company request your Honours permission that in future the lead shipped in the keels or Lighters at Blaydon, may after being duly entered be suffered to go from thence directly on board the ship for Exportation or Coastwise under such inspection as your Honours judge necessary.

26th August 1756 LLC 11

Sold to Robert Willis 500 pieces of Newcastle lead at £14 5s fother.

16th September 1756 LLC 11

Sold 60 tons of lead to Mr Charles Reinholt and Mr Benjamin Vigor 25 tons at £15 7s 6d fother.

21st October 1756 LLC 11

Received £1668 17s 7d for 15 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/21/4 oz (6434 oz 5 pw).

4th November 1756 LLC 11

Company's seal was affixed to a counterpart of a lease from Rev John Dolben Bart, Doctor of Divinity and Prebendary of Durham and others to the Governor and Company of a level or watercourse in Shildon Burn and of mines in the ancient enclosed grounds of the Lordship of Blanchland which were enclosed before October 1709 also for the liberty of cutting and digging peat. Lease to commence 1st May 1755 for 21 years.

2nd December 1756 LLC 11

Received £532 0s 10d for 4 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/21/4 oz (2051 oz 5 pw).

31st December 1756 LLC 38

A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Thomas Hyam Governor
Mr Timothy Colston Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Francis Cooper	Thomas Emlyn Esq
Mr John Crellius	Mr Deputy James Ennis
Mr Jacob Hagen	Mr James Mathias
Mr William Palmer	Mr Peter Stapel
Mr William Pitts	Mr Jacob Warner
John Tucker Esq.	Mr Simeon Warner

3rd February 1757 LLC 11

The Court reported that a fraud committed by Peter Hodgson the Company's Superintendent at the Limehouse White Lead Works. He had sold the Company's White lead to the value of £262 12 shillings and kept the money. He was dismissed from the Company and made to pay the debt, by handing in his fifteen shares in the Company, the sale of his household goods and furnishings and a twenty pound note. The deficiency was demanded from his bond of security.

3rd March 1757 LLC 11

Received £456 10s 6d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/3 oz (1739 oz 3 pw).

Executed the lease from Sir Richard Grosvenor of a mine lying on Halkin Mountain adjoining Rhesycae Swamp dated 5th April 1756 for 21 years.

Mr Thomas Pickering the Company's Accountant and Cashier at Gadlis gave notice that he intended to quit the Company's service in the middle of May next. Mr Thomas Ward the present assistant accountant was appointed Agent, Accountant, Cashier and Superintendent at the Workhouse at Gadlis at the annual salary of £100, he giving security of £1,000.

10th March 1757 LLC 11

Received £443 18s 6d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/3 oz (1691 oz 3 pw).

24th March 1757 LLC 11

John Morgan was appointed Clerk and Superintendent at the White Lead Works at a salary of £50 per annum (he gave security of £500)

6th April 1757 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 29th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

19th May 1757 LLC 11

Received £764 12s 0d for 6 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/33/4 oz (2878 oz 10 pw).

9th June 1757 LLC 11

Received £140 18s 6d for 1 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/33/4 oz (530 oz 11 pw).

5th July 1757 LLC 11

Resolved that the Governor and Mr. Palmer do attend the said Commissioners at Salters Hall and endeavour to purchase the Dues of the mines under mentioned at the lowest price they can not exceeding fifty five shillings per Bing for the Bouse and fifty five shillings per Bing for the cutting ore.

The nine mines leased to the Company are:

Rampgill and Redgroves

Brownley Hill

Gudamgil Moss

Middlecleugh

Brighilburn

Longholehead East and West Ends

Longholehead South vein

Browngil

Bentyfield
and the two mines leased to Lord Carlisle are:-
Peat Stackhill
Greengill

7th July 1757 LLC 11

Received £500 8s 9d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/4 oz (1876 oz 13 pw).

11th August 1757 LLC 11

The Governor on behalf of the Company having purchased of the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital the 16th Ultimo all the remaining Dues of lead ore unsold belonging to the Hospital at 51/- per Bing for the Bouse ore and 46/- for the Cutting ore. The Court have sold the Earl of Carlisle the dues of two of the mines viz. Peatstack Hill and Greengill on the same terms and conditions as the Company purchased the same, and the following agreement was signed by Mr Germaine Lavie on behalf of the Earl.

Whereas the Governor and Company for smelting down Lead with Pitcoal and Seacoal did on the 16th July last purchase off the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital sundry Dues of lead ore in Aldstone Moor from Michaelmas last to Michaelmas next at 51/- per Bing for the Bouse ore and 46/- per Bing for the Cutting ore in which the dues of Peatstack Hill and Greengill mines are included, now the said Governor and Company do agree that the Earl of Carlisle shall have the dues arising from the said two mines at the price of 51/- and 46/- per Bing he paying for the same as usual.

1st September 1757 LLC 11

Received £1192 7s 7d for 10 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/43/4 oz (4419 oz 12 pw).

27th October 1757 LLC 11

Received £771 11s 4d for 6 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/45/8 oz (2865 oz 8 pw).

24th November 1757 LLC 11

Received £585 14s 3d for 5 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/43/4 oz (2171 oz).

30th December 1757 LLC 38

A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Thomas Hyam Governor
Mr Timothy Colston Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Robert Browne	Thomas Emlyn Esq
Mr John Crellius	Mr Thomas How
Mr Jacob Hagen	Mr James Mathias
Mr William Palmer	Mr Peter Stapel
Mr William Pitts	Mr Jacob Warner
John Tucker Esq.	Mr Simeon Warner

5th January 1758 LLC 11

Received £516 15s 11d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/51/4 oz (1930 oz 9 pw).

16th February 1758 LLC 11

Messrs. William Palmer, James Mathias and Peter Stapel acquainted the Court that they having as desired by the Court of the 9th Instant attended the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital on Saturday the 11th Instant at their Board at Greenwich and applied to them for the completing of the renewal of the leases of the Company's mines in Aldston Moor formerly granted to Messrs. Liddell and Co. Pursuant to their agreement made with this Court some years since and entered in their minutes the said Commissioners confirmed the said agreement and ordered a draught of a lease to be made accordingly for the term of twenty one years to commence from the Expiration of the former leases being the 7th March 1758 on the same terms with the like covenants as in the said lease contained.

A lease of mines from Evan Emerson and others in a certain part of the common or common pasture in Priorsdale in the County of Cumberland to this Company for twenty one years from 29 September 1757 at one sixth duty in ore was read over and the Company's seal was affixed to the counterpart thereof.

2nd March 1758 LLC 11

Received £746 12s 10d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/5 oz (2756 oz 17 pw).

9th March 1758 LLC 11

Received £19 1s 0d for 70 oz 7 pw of standard silver at 5/5 sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co being the remains of sundry meltings in the year 1757.

3rd April 1758 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 28th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

4th May 1758 LLC 11

Received £413 4s 4d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 1/4 oz (1474 oz 13 pw).

1st June 1758 LLC 11

Received £216 0s 9d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 1/4 oz (771 oz).

22nd June 1758 LLC 11

Received £500 6s 0d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 1/2 oz (1778 oz 17 pw).

29th June 1758 LLC 11

The Company were granted the purchase of the Duty ore of the Derwentwater Estate at 47 shillings per Bing for the Bouse and 42 shillings per Bing for the cutting ore by the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital.

21st July 1758 LLC 11

Sold Mr Theophilus Daubuz 130 tons lead at £13 5s ton of 2400 lbs. to be delivered at Gadlis (value £1857 17s).

20th July 1758 LLC 11

A gratuity of fifteen guineas was made to John Morgan Superintendent at the White Lead Works for his past services and future encouragement.

10th August 1758 LLC 11

The Company seal was affixed to the counterpart of a lease from Dame Barbara Mostyn guardian of Sir Pyers Mostyn and others of part of a Tenement called Grange in the Township of Greenfield in the Parish of Holywell for 14 years from 29 September 1756 for 30/- for ore 15/- for Caulk and Calamine per ton one fifth part of copper ore.

31st August 1758 LLC 11

Received £1017 8s 9d for 8 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/8 1/2 oz (3564 oz 15 pw).

27th September 1758 LLC 38

A Court for Electing a Deputy Governor for the remainder of the present year in the room of Mr Timothy Colston deceased.

Mr James Mathias was unanimously elected Deputy Governor for the remainder of the present year.

19th October 1758 LLC 11

Sold 100 tons of lead to the East India Company at £13 12s 6d London fother.

9th November 1758 LLC 11

Received £387 2s 6d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 3/4 oz (1356 oz 7 pw).

30th November 1758 LLC 11

Received £368 14s 9d for 3 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 1/4 oz (1351 oz 19 pw).

28th December 1758 LLC 11

Received £557 4s 2d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 1/4 oz (1988 oz 11 pw).

1st January 1759 LLC 38

A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Thomas Hyam Governor
James Mathias Esq. Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Robert Browne	Mr Francis Cooper
Mr John Crellius	Thomas Emlyn Esq.
Jacob Hagen Esq.	Mr Thomas How
Mr Edward Neave	Mr William Palmer
Mr William Pitts	Mr Peter Stapel
John Tucker Esq.	Mr Simeon Warner

15th January 1759 LLC 11

Sold Theophilis Daubuz 100 pieces of lead at £14 5s fother.

25th January 1759 LLC 11

Received £431 3s 4d 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/8 1/4 oz (1516 oz 4 pw).

19th February 1759 LLC 11

A draught of a letter to the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital was proposed and read desiring the leases agreed to them for mines in Aldston Moor may be completed and mentioning John Smith's proposal of May last to take a lease of all the mines to be cut by the Company's level at Middlecleugh which the Court confirm.

The Company wrote to the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital with reference to "the trouble and expense the Company have been at on the Poor Rate assessed on them in Aldston Parish".

1st March 1759 LLC 11

Received £819 6s 2d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/8½ oz (2870 oz 11 pw).

29th March 1759 LLC 11

Received £301 12s 6d for 2 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/8½oz (1056 oz 15 pw).

5th April 1759 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 27th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

19th April 1759 LLC 11

Received £409 17s 6d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/8¼ oz (1436 oz 1 pw).

17th May 1759 LLC 11

Affixed the Company seal to the counterpart of Article of Agreement from the Right Honourable Robert Ord for an undivided moiety or half part of a lead mine called Ramshaw Rake, Grove or vein in the Manor of Hunstansworth in the County of Durham for an addition of one thousand yards in length Westwards from Boltsburn and fifty yards in breadth for eleven years from the 2nd August 1758 at one fifth in ore and £12 10s per annum for the Smelt mill.

31st May 1759 LLC 11

Received £573 18s 6d for 4 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs How & Co. at 5/63/4 oz (2063 oz 11 pw).

5th July 1759 LLC 12

Sold Messrs Warner & Hagen 2000 pieces of the Company Refined lead at Gadlis £11 15s ton.

10th July 1759 LLC 12

Resolved that it was advisable that the Company do enter into the partnership of Cowly Sough and Yate Stoop mine in Kingsfield upon the terms proposed. And that Mr Palmer do draw up a letter to Mr James one of the partners accordingly.

26th July 1759 LLC 12

Received £379 17s 9d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Plumb & Co. at 5/7 oz (1360 oz 16 pw).

6th September 1759 LLC 12

Sold Theophilus Daubuz 1000 pieces of Newcastle lead in London at £12 10s Newcastle fother.

18th October 1759 LLC 12

Received £1000 17s 4d for 8 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 oz (3585 oz 4 pw).

8th November 1759 LLC 12

Received £1022 17s 6d for 7 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/6 oz (3719 oz 11 pw).

12th November 1759 LLC 12

Took into consideration the state of the Company's affairs in Wales upon the decease of their mining agent John Norman and also a letter from George Norman.

30th November 1759 LLC 12

Received £294 9s 4d for 2 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/6 1/2 oz (1062 oz 15 pw).

27th December 1759 LLC 12

Sold Messrs Freeman and Stainbank 2500 pieces of lead at £11 5s fother.

31st December 1759 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Thomas Hyam Governor
James Mathias Esq. Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Robert Browne	Mr Robert Cooper
Mr John Crellius	Thomas Emlyn Esq.
Jacob Hagen Esq.	Mr Thomas How
Mr Edward Neave	Mr William Palmer
Mr John Miers	Mr Peter Stapel
John Tucker Esq.	Mr Simeon Warner

28th January 1760 LLC 12

Resolved that Thomas Brown and Thomas Tweedale be appointed joint Visitors and Inspectors of all the Company's mines late under the direction of John Smith, and assist at the letting of all bargains and consult together upon all mineral operations and report under their hands the state of the several workings and mines to the Court every three months.

That Thomas Brown's salary be increased ten pounds per annum from Christmas 1759.

That Thomas Tweedale's salary be increased ten pounds per annum from Christmas 1759 and that he have part of the house late John Smith to Dwell in.

And as the accounts of the mining operations, mills and bargains were in John Smith's time kept together in books at Shildon Resolved that the same method should in all respects be pursued and that Thomas Hall have the care of entering the operation and bargains and other accounts and also forward the silver to Newcastle as formerly.

That in consideration of Thomas Halls additional trouble in these matters and for his care of the farm holds his salary be increased ten pounds per annum from Christmas 1759 and that he have his dwelling in part of the house whence John Smith lived which should be divided into two tenements and one part be allotted to Thomas Tweedale as before mentioned.

Resolved that Anthony Watson the Company's agent at Acton Mill do pay the Company £5 per annum for the house he lives in at Acton Mill the expense of building which house having far exceeded the forty pounds allowed by the Company to be their laid out.

Ordered that copies of the agents reports concerning North Heugh mine be sent to George Deleval Esq. and that the secretary write to him that the Company have already expended there and lost from June 1755 to 31st August 1759 £222 6s 11/2d that upon the present unpromising prospects they are discouraged from going on.

Ordered that a letter be wrote to Lord Jersey by the secretary that pursuant to the liberty given the Company by his letter of the 14th August last they had caused one of their agents to take a view of his Lordship's mine at Rock Coal Pits, who had reported to them that there are Deads lying in the vein which prevented a proper view being made, and that if he will order the Deads to be taken away (the expense they are informed will not be much) they will after that is done direct their agents to make a thorough view.

31st January 1760 LLC 12

Received £629 7s 0d for 5 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 oz (2254 oz 7 pw).

7th February 1760 LLC 12

Read over and affixed the Company's seal to the counterpart of a lease from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital to this Company of a lead mine called Redgroves in the Manor or Lordship of Aldstone in the County of Cumberland, 1,200 yards in length and 40 yards in breadth bounding on the East by Sir Walter Blackett's grounds and on the West by Rampgill at one fifth duty in ore for 21 years from the 7th day of March 1757.

28th February 1760 LLC 12

Coulson Skottowe attended the Court and agreed to grant them a further lease of 21 years of Shildon Mines from the expiration of the present, on the same terms, and said he was in treaty for the surrender of the Felgrove Lease which when obtained he would grant the Company.

17th March 1760 LLC 12

Sold to Messrs Jacob de Moses & Franco 66 tons of lead at £12 17s ton.

3rd April 1760 LLC 12

Received £380 4s 11d for 3 ingots of silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/6s 8 oz (1369 oz 15 pw).

3rd April 1760 LLC 38

A General Court

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 2nd July next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

21st April 1760 LLC 12

Thomas Brown took the oaths appointed by the Charter and was admitted joint Visitor and Inspector with Thomas Tweedale of all the Company's mines late under the direction of John Smith, on the terms and pursuant to the resolution of the Court 28th January 1760. Thomas Hall took the oaths appointed by the Charter and was admitted into the Company's service for the purpose mentioned in the Resolutions of the Court 28th January last.

But Thomas Hall representing to the Court that the business of keeping accounts and operations with the agency of the mines and mill now under his care was more than he could attend.

Resolved that his son John Hall be taken into the Company's service as an assistant clerk and that he be allowed £15 per annum salary from Christmas last.

Resolved that Thomas Hall be paid £10 for the year 1759 being the allowance the late John Smith made him for assisting in keeping the accounts at Shildon.

24th April 1760 LLC 12

Received £350 0s 2d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/61/2 oz (1263 oz 4 pw).

1st May 1760 LLC 12

Received £602 15s 3d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/61/4 oz (2183 oz 12 pw).

29th May 1760 LLC 12

Affixed the Company's seal to two parts of an indenture of five parts dated 13th May 1760 between the Governor and Company of the first part, George Hope the second part, Henry Vigers and Francis Oldfield of the third part, John Cratchley of the fourth part and John Kelsall of the fifth part, whereby the Company assign over their interest to Maeslygen mine at 5/- per Ton and when the party's make use of the Engine House and Tenement, the Company are to be paid £122 11s 9d for the same and £6 rent.

9th June 1760 LLC 12

Thomas Tweedale took the oaths appointed by the Charter and was admitted joint Visitor and Inspector with Thomas Brown of all the Company's mines late under the direction of John Smith on the terms pursuant to the resolution of the 28th January 1760. The Court taking into consideration the charge and trust reposed in Thomas Tweedale.

Resolved that Thomas Tweedale's salary be in the whole Fifty pounds per annum from Christmas last.

It is the opinion of this Court that Thomas Brown, Thomas Tweedale and Thomas Hall each give a security to the Company in the sum of Two hundred pounds for the faithful discharge of their office.

16th June 1760 LLC 12

10 guineas was given to Mr Tweedale as a gratuity for his extra services.

26th June 1760 LLC 12

Received £477 19s 9d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/61/4 oz (1731 oz 11 pw).

8th July 1760 LLC 12

The report of the Gentlemen who lately visited the Company's works in Wales was read and the Court came to the following resolutions.

Resolved that Thomas Wards salary be increased from £100 to £130 per annum to commence from Midsummer last.

Thomas Ward having in pursuance of the Courts recommendation taken upon trial a lad named John Pritchard to be brought up as clerk and assistant under him.

Resolved that Thomas Ward be allowed £15 per annum for the Board and Maintenance of the said John Pritchard from Ladyday last. That the said John Pritchard be allowed £5 per annum for clothes from Ladyday last.

24th July 1760 LLC 12

Received £681 13s 7d for 5 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/61/2 oz (2460 oz 4 pw).

31st July 1760 LLC 12

Sold to Samuel Beigton 350 pieces of lead at £12 2s 6d per fother of 19 1/2 cwt.

31st August 1760 LLC 12

Received £332 4s 5d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 oz (1190 oz 1 pw).

4th September 1760 LLC 12

Sold Messrs Freeman & Stainbank 2861 pieces of lead at £12 London fother.

23rd October 1760 LLC 12

Received £1041 13s 6d for 8 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/8 oz (3676 oz 10 pw).

27th November 1760 LLC 12

Received £227 4s 5d for 2 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Thomas How at 5/9 oz (790 oz 6 pw).

1st January 1761 LLC 12

Received £366 13s 6d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Thomas How at 5/9 oz (1275 oz 8 pw).

5th January 1761 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Thomas Hyam Governor
James Mathias Esq. Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Devereux Bowly	Mr Robert Browne
Mr James Champain	Mr Thomas Cogan
Mr Robert Cooper	Thomas Emlyn Esq.
Jacob Hagen Esq.	Mr Thomas How
Mr John Miers	Mr Peter Stapel
Mr Thomas Thomas	Mr Simeon Warner

19th February 1761 LLC 12

Received £936 15s 11d for 7 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/9 oz (3258 oz 8 pw).

5th March 1761 LLC 12

Ordered that Mr. Palmer prosecute the affair relating to the assessment to the Poor Rate at Aldston and commence an action against the persons who have distrained the Company's ore for non payment of the said rate.

19th March 1761 LLC 12

Mr George Ridley one of the Company's under agents in Derbyshire attended the Court as ordered and brought with him a state of the Company's mines in that country in writing.

2nd April 1761 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 1st July next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

30th April 1761 LLC 12

Received £827 16s 6d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/97/8 oz (2843 oz 7 pw).

21st May 1761 LLC 12

The Company purchased the Dues of lead ore of the Derwentwater estate from Michaelmas last to Michaelmas next at 57 shillings per Bing for Bouse ore and 52 shillings per Bing for Cutting ore.

28th May 1761 LLC 12

Sold 20 tons of lead to Messrs Jacob de Moses & Raphael Franco at £13 2s 6d London Fother. Paid £127 19s 3d to Coulson Skottowe in full for duty ore at Shildon and Jeffreys mines to the 31st December last.

25th June 1761 LLC 12

Received £316 6s 11d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs How & Co. at 5/93/4 oz (1088 oz 10 pw).

20th July 1761 LLC 12

Mr. Palmer the Company's solicitor attended the Court with whom they prepared and settled matters relating to the Tryal that is to commence at Carlisle the 1st August next between this Company and the Parishioners of Aldston in the County of Cumberland about the Poor Rate which the said Parish has assessed the Company mines with.

6th August 1761 LLC 12

Received £313 19s 0d for 3 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/95/8 oz (1078 oz 6 pw).

20th August 1761 LLC 12

Received £697 8s 2d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/91/8 oz (2421 oz 7 pw).

2nd September 1761 LLC 12

The report of Bowly and Palmer who have attended the Tryal at Carlisle relating to the Poor Rate, and have conversed with the Company's several agents in the North was read and considered, Resolved that the further consideration thereof be referred to the next Court.

24th September 1761 LLC 12

The place of the Company's Cashier and Accountant in the North becoming vacant by the death of Mr John Teasdale.

The Court proceeded to the choice of another in his room and Mr Thomas Hall was chosen and a letter was wrote to him accordingly.

1st October 1761 LLC 12

Received £253 15s 8d for 2 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs How & Co. at 5/71/2 oz (903 oz 7 pw).

15th October 1761 LLC 12

Sold to Messrs Jacob de Moses & Raphael Franco 30 tons of lead at £15 7s 6d London fother on board.

5th November 1761 LLC 12

Received £636 18s 8d for 5 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 oz (2281 oz 11 pw).

Sold 200 tons of lead to the East India Company at £14 5s London fother on shore.

11th November 1761 LLC 12

Leases and counterparts were executed of:-

A lease of ground laid out to the South of Penyfordd Newid in the Parish of Holywell and County of Flint dated 10th October 1759 for 21 years.

A lease of ground laid out to the South of Moelyeroya in the Parish of Halkin in the County of Flint dated 10th October 1759 for 21 years both from Sir Richard Grosvenor.

The Company's seal was affixed to a lease from Sir Rowland Stanley dated 10th October 1761 for a mine called Perthymaen in the County of Flint let by lease to this Company by his late lady before their marriage bearing the date the 4th April 1743 for forty years at the farm of 20/- per Ton for ore and one tenth the value of Calamine, should now be at 15/- per ton for lead ore during the remainder of the said term should he so long live but to be upon such ore only as shall be raised under the present level and upon the Company agreeing to build a new fire engine.

A lease from Evan Emerson and others called Littlegill lying in Priorsdale in the County of Cumberland to this Company for 21 years from 29th September 1760 was read and the Company seal was affixed to the counterpart thereof.

19th November 1761 LLC 12

Received £382 6s 10d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 oz (1369 oz 11 pw).

23rd December 1761 LLC 12

Read over and affixed the Company's seal to the following counterparts of leases from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital to this Company of mines and veins of lead ore in Aldston moor in the county of Cumberland all dated the 20th October 1760 for 21 years from the several times hereunder specified.

Garrygill Burn Old Groves	From	26 October 1752
Fletcheres	From	29 September 1753
Longholehead South or Sun vein	From	30 July 1754
Longholehead West End	From	24 February 1758
Rampgill	From	24 February 1758
Redgroves	From	24 February 1758
Fairhill Eastward Sun vein	From	24 February 1758
Fairhill North vein	From	24 February 1758
Browngill	From	24 February 1758
Shawfoot West of Nent	From	24 February 1758
Thortergill	From	24 February 1758
Brighillburn	From	24 February 1758
Rampgill Sun vein	From	24 February 1758
Middlecleugh East End	From	14 April 1758
A South vein cut in the upper level West of Middlecleugh	From	17 October 1759
Middlecleugh First vein cut in extending the deep level to or forwards the South of the North vein at Middlecleugh	From	17 October 1759
Middlecleugh Second vein cut in extending the Deep level to or forwards the South of the North		

vein at Middlecleugh	From	17 October 1759
Middlecleugh Third vein cut		
in extending the Deep level to		
or forwards the South of the North		
vein of Middlecleugh	From	17 October 1760
A vein West of Carrs Vein	From	15 September 1759
Carr's vein from the South end of		
Mr. Lorrain's lease A vein cut in the		
Flank level at Garrygill burn		
Old Grove	From	1 May 1760
Hundybridge Syke	From	12 May 1760

2nd January 1762 LLC 38

A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Thomas Hyam Governor	
James Mathias Esq. Deputy Governor	
Assistants	
Mr Devereux Bowly	Mr Robert Browne
Mr James Champain	Mr Thomas Cogan
Mr Robert Cooper	Mr Jacob Hagen
Mr Thomas How	Mr John Miers
Mr William Palmer	Mr Peter Stapel
Mr Thomas Thomas	Mr John Tucker

7th January 1762 LLC 12

Received £751 7s 0d for 6 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs How, Allcraft & Co. at 5/61/2 oz (2711 oz 12 pw).

4th February 1762 LLC 12

Received £641 19s 4d for 5 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs How & Co. at 5/71/4 oz (2291 oz 1 pw).

11th February 1762 LLC 12

Received £12 4s 0d for the remains of meltings of silver in 1761, sold to Messrs How & Co at 5/71/4 oz (43 oz 11 pw).

8th April 1762 LLC 38

A General Court

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 30th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

28th April 1762 LLC 12

The Court read over two engrossed parts of Articles of Agreement entered into by the Company with sundry persons party's thereto and bearing date 8th January 1762 for the carrying up in partnership with the said party's a Sough in the County of Derby called Cowley Sough for the unwatering a mine called Yate Stoop mine, and for the consolidation this Company's interest in the said mine and Sough with the interests of the said party's in the same. And affixed the common seal of this Corporation to one part of the said Article, a counterpart thereof having been previously executed by the other party's to the said Article.

And ordered that one half of £2,787 11s 3d therein mentioned to have been expended by the party's proprietors of the said Sough in driving the said Sough through the several lands therein mentioned and obtaining liberty for driving the same to be paid to the said party's. (Amount paid was £1,393 15s 7d)

6th May 1762 LLC 12

Received £645 13s 2d for 5 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/8 oz (2278 oz 16 pw).

17th June 1762 LLC 12

Received £476 5s 0d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/6 1/2 oz (1718 oz 16 pw).

24th June 1762 LLC 12

Mr George Tissington was appointed agent to the Company to supervise and direct all their mines, mineral works and interests in Derbyshire at the salary of £60 per annum.

1st July 1762 LLC 12

Purchased the Dues of lead ore of the Derwentwater estate from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, from Michaelmas last to Michaelmas next. The Bouse ore at 55/- per Bing, the Cutting ore at 50/- per Bing.

15th July 1762 LLC 12

Mr John Morgan the Company's Superintendent at their White Lead House at Limehouse having at this time and for sometime past extraordinary trouble in making Red Lead, landing and shipping the Company's Pig lead at their wharf.

Resolved that his salary be augmented from fifty to sixty pounds per annum to commence from Ladyday next.

Mr William Westgarth one of the Company's under agents in the North appearing to this Court to deserve further encouragement.

Resolved that his salary be augmented from £20 to £25 per annum to commence from Christmas last.

29th July 1762 LLC 12

Received £428 18s 0d for 3 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/6 oz (1559 oz 12 pw).

26th August 1762 LLC 12

The following letter was sent to the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital.

The Governor and Court of assistants of the Company for the Smelting down of Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal Do now request leases of grounds lying contiguous to some of their present mines in Aldston Moor. Viz.

A vein extending East and West on the Eastside of Nent South of Carr's shop.

A lease of Rampgill Burnhead

A lease of the veins in a parcel of ground extending North and South from Carr's Sun vein to Longcleugh

The Company agents in Aldston Moor did on the 10th July last propose on behalf of the Company to your Honours agents to take leases of other grounds which proposals they apprehend have been communicated to the Honourable board and that they will meet your Honours approbation.

The very expensive works prosecuted for years past by the Company and which could not be so effectually carried on by private adventurers, have been the means of greatly increasing the Revenue of the Royal Hospital Mineral Estates in Aldston Moor. And therefore they hope they shall have the favour and countenance of this Honourable board by granting them such

further leases of mineral grounds as they shall apply for, as the Company humbly presume the operations they are now carrying on will be the most effectual means of working the Royal Hospital mines to advantage.

16th September 1762 LLC 12

Mr Thomas Tweedale attended the Court and reported to them the state of a mine at Llanvair in Cardiganshire belonging to Thomas Johnes Esq. which he had been ordered to go and view in company with Mr Thomas Hoosan one of the Company's agents in Wales. He (Tweedale) delivered their report in writing, by which it appears it is not a fit work for the Company to engage in.

A gratuity of fifty guineas was given to Thomas Tweedale for his extraordinary diligence and journeys in the Company's service.

21st October 1762 LLC 12

Received £522 15s 1d for 4 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/43/4 oz (1937 oz 12 pw).

18th November 1762 LLC 12

Received £556 17s 3d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs How, Allcraft & Co. at 5/5 oz (2056 oz 2 pw).

25th November 1762 LLC 12

Mr. Palmer the Company's solicitor reported to this Court that the cause which has been depending in the Court of the Kings Bench in which the Company were plaintiffs and the Church Wardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Aldston in Cumberland were defendants came on to be heard in Westminster Hall on Friday the 12 November Instant upon a special case made at the Tryal of the cause at the Summer Assizes for Cumberland in the year 1761 for the opinion of the judges of the Court of the Kings Bench upon a question whether the Company's lead mines in the said parish were liable to the Poor Rate, and the cause having been fully debated at the Bar by the council on both sides. The Court consisting of the Lord Mansfield Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Dennison and Mr. Justice Willmot (Sir Michael Foster the other Judge being absent) were unanimously of opinion that the Company's lead mines in the said parish were not liable to be assessed to the Poor Rate and that the judgements given at the said assizes for the Company (subject to the opinion of the Court) should be confirmed, and Mr. Palmer having also laid before the Court in writing the substance of the judges argument upon their giving judgement in the said cause.

16th December 1762 LLC 12

Received £274 6s 3d for 2 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs How & Co. at 5/5 oz (1012 oz 17 pw).

Sold to Messrs Freeman & Stainbank 3200 pieces of lead in London.

815 pieces of Chester lead at £14 5s London fother:

2385 pieces of Newcastle lead £14 7s 6d London fother.

Sold Messrs Jacob de Moses & Raphael Franco 80 to 100 tons of lead at £14 a Gadlis ton.

3rd January 1763 LLC 38

A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Thomas Hyam Governor

James Mathias Esq. Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Devereux Bowly

Mr Thomas Cogan

Mr James Champain

Mr Robert Cooper

Mr John Crellius
Mr Thomas How
Mr William Palmer
John Tucker Esq

Mr Jacob Hagen
Mr John Miers
Mr Thomas Thomas
Mr Simeon Warner

6th January 1763 LLC 12

The Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital agreed to grant the Company leases of the following mines. A vein extending East and West on the East side of Nent, south of Carr's shop, a vein called Rampgill Burnhead, for 21 years and at one fifth Duty in ore.

13th January 1763 LLC 12

Resolved that Thomas Hall be allowed forty pounds per annum as cashier and accountant at Aldston Moor. That he be allowed ten pounds per annum for attendance at Shildon and sending off the operation papers and silver.

That John Hall be allowed five pounds per annum additional for his services at Shildon. These salaries from Christmas 1761.

3rd March 1763 LLC 12

Received £1008 7s 9d for 8 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/6 1/2 oz (3639 oz 6 pw).

31st March 1763 LLC 38

A General Court

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 29th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

7th April 1763 LLC 12

Received £6 7s 2d for the remains of sundry meltings of silver in 1762 from Messrs How & Co at 5/6 1/2 per oz (22 oz 18 pw).

12th May 1763 LLC 12

Received £566 17s 3d for 4 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs How, Allcraft & Co. at 5/8 3/8 oz (1989 oz 14 pw).

Mr Thomas Ward attended the Court again having delivered a report on the Company's works in Wales, he was given a gratuity of ten guineas and that the Bond of security taken from him on his entering into the Company's service as an assistant to Mr Pickering be returned to him (a Bond dated 19th July 1745 for £400).

2nd June 1763 LLC 12

Sold to Theophilus Daubuz 80 to 90 tons of lead at Gadlis at £15 15s ton on shore.

9th June 1763 LLC 38

A Court for electing a Governor of the Corporation for the remainder of the present year in the room of Mr Thomas Hyam deceased.

James Mathias Esq. was unanimously elected Governor for the remainder of the present year.

16th June 1763 LLC 12

Paid £91 10s 10d to Coulson Skottowe for duty ore at Shildon and Jeffreys mines to the 31st December last.

Mr Coulson Skottowe attended the Court and executed a lease of mines in Northumberland called New and Old Shildon, that of Old Shildon and the Smelting Mill commencing 10th March 1769 and of New Shildon 6th June 1765 for 21 years at one seventh Duty ore.

23rd June 1763 LLC 38

A Court for electing a Deputy Governor of the Corporation for the remainder of the present year in the room of James Mathias Esq. chosen Governor.

Mr Jacob Hagen was unanimously elected Deputy Governor for the remainder of the present year.

14th July 1763 LLC 12

The Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital had agreed to sell the dues of lead ore of the Derwentwater Estate from Michaelmas last to Michaelmas next for the Bouse ore 62/- per Bing, the Cutting ore 57/- per Bing.

Mr George Tissington the Company's mining agent in Derbyshire was appointed to survey as the Court shall require all the Company's mines and works in the North and Wales or elsewhere and for this service and his care of the Derbyshire works his salary be increased to £100 per annum to commence from Midsummer last and his travelling charge borne by the Company.

11th August 1763 LLC 12

Received £542 10s 0d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/61/2 oz (1957 oz 17 pw).

Mr. Thomas Tweedale be appointed chief agent for the superintendence of all the Company's mines in the North at the salary of one hundred pounds per annum, to commence from Midsummer last.

18th August 1763 LLC 12

Resolved that Mr George Tissington and Mr Robert Aslett (the Company Secretary) be sent to Shildon and Aldstone Moor to survey with Mr Thomas Tweedale the Company's mines and works in the North.

8th September 1763 LLC 12

Received £215 18s 7d for 2 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/61/4 oz (782 oz 4 pw).

13th October 1763 LLC 12

Resolved to increase Thomas Brown's salary from fifty to sixty pounds per annum from Michaelmas last.

That Samuel Wilgoose be assistant agent to Thomas Brown at Rampgill, Middlecleugh and Gudamgill Moss at a salary of forty pounds per annum from the time he entered Company service.

27th October 1763 LLC 12

Received £395 18s 11d for 3 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/41/2 oz (1473 oz 5 pw).

7th November 1763 LLC 12

John Hudson under agent who has the care of Yadmoss and Littlegill mines and seeing the ore well washed at Middlecleugh mine and delivering it to the carriers should have forty pounds per annum salary.

That Thomas White under agent at Fletcheras, Oldgroves and Longholehead be continued at thirty pounds per annum salary on condition that his son John White be assisting and employed under him and that his said son for that service have ten pounds per annum himself. And they are of opinion that William Wigham the executor of the late John Teasdale do pay Thomas Hall the Company's agent at Aldstone £107 13s 23/4d for the full balance of the late John Teasdale's account upon which the security Bond to be given up.

10th November 1763 LLC 12

Received £528 17s 8d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs How & Co. at 5/43/4 oz (1960 oz 6 pw).

17th November 1763 LLC 12

The Company seal was attached to a power of attorney to Thomas Hall the Company's cashier at Aldston to empower him to receive of the church wardens of the parish of Aldston the costs adjudged to the Court in the suit about the Poor Rate being fifty eight pounds.

15th December 1763 LLC 12

Received £344 3s 8d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/41/2 oz (1280 oz 14 pw).

3rd January 1764 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor
Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Devereux Bowly	Mr James Champain
Mr Thomas Cogan	Mr Robert Cooper
Mr John Crellius	Mr Thomas Emlyn
Mr John Miers	Mr William Palmer
Mr Peter Stapel	Mr Thomas Thomas
John Tucker Esq	Mr Simeon Warner

19th January 1764 LLC 12

Received £525 7s 6d for 4 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/33/4 oz (1977 oz 17 pw).

9th February 1764 LLC 12

Sold to Joseph Lancaster 2000 pieces at £14 fother of 19 1/2 cwt delivered in London.
Sold to Robert Willis 700 pieces at £14 fother of 19 1/2 cwt delivered in London.
Sold to John Spicer 300 pieces at £14 fother of 19 1/2 cwt delivered in London.
Also sold Robert Willis 50 tons of lead delivered at Chester at £14 a Gadlis ton of 2400 lb.

16th February 1764 LLC 12

Received £335 9s 9d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs How & Co. at 5/31/4 oz (1272 oz 19 pw).

1st March 1764 LLC 12

Received £7 18s 1d for a piece of silver the remains of sundry meltings in 1763 sold to Messrs How & Co at 5/31/4 oz (30 oz).

8th March 1764 LLC 12

John Stainbank purchased 2299 pieces of lead at £14 10s Newcastle fother.

22nd March 1764 LLC 12

Received £151 6s 6d for 1 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/31/4 oz (574 oz 4 pw).

5th April 1764 LLC 12

The Court taking into consideration the state of the Company's cash and finding they shall have occasion soon for a further sum than what they already have in hand. The following gentlemen of the Court agree to lend the Company the sums set against their respective names.

£1,000	John Tucker Esquire
£500	Mr Jacob Hagen
£500	Mr Thomas Thomas
£500	Mr Robert Cooper
£500	Mr Robert Stapel
£500	Mr William Palmer
<u>£500</u>	Mr John Miers
£4,000	

This to be at an interest of 5 per cent per annum.

5th April 1764 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 27th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

19th April 1764 LLC 12

Received £292 0s 4d for 2 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/31/2 oz (1103 oz 13 pw).

3rd May 1764 LLC 12

Received £357 18s 3d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/31/2 oz (1352 oz 14 pw).

17th May 1764 LLC 12

£60 paid to Thomas Rust for 2 pair of Large Bellows sent to the Company's works in the North.

31st May 1764 LLC 12

Received £294 19s 4d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/31/2 oz (1114 oz 16 pw).

Theophilus Daubuz bought 100 tons of lead deliverable at Gadlis at £13 15s Gadlis ton.

7th June 1764 LLC 12

Paid £90 4s 0d to Coulson Skottowe in full for duty ore at Shildon & Jeffreys mines to 31st December last.

Coulson Skottowe Esq. attended the Court and entered into a written agreement with them to let the Company all his liberty of Blanchland &c. in the County's of Northumberland and Durham at the same reserved duty as is mentioned in the present subsisting leases. A lease was agreed to be prepared of the whole and to be executed as soon as possible for 21 years from Midsummer next.

19th July 1764 LLC 12

Received £404 17s 0d for 3 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/31/4 oz (1536 oz 4 pw).

9th August 1764 LLC 12

Received £481 15s 7d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/31/4 oz (1828 oz 2 pw).

3rd September 1764 LLC 12

The Court resumed the consideration of the state of the Company's affairs in Derbyshire and in the North and Messrs Tissington and Tweedale attended and their reports were read.

As to Mill Close Mine in Derbyshire it appears that it has been effectually tried under level and there is no hope of success.

Resolved to stop the workings of the fire engine at Mill Close, to sell the coals and lay by such materials as will not suffer by keeping and accordingly Mr Tissington was ordered to stop the same.

And that Mill Close level be for the future called Watering Close Level.

As to the smelting at Whitfield, ordered that a trial be made there with the Double Bellows in the manner proposed by Mr Tissington.

Nenthead Mill is nearly repaired and there will soon be two smelting hearths and one slag hearth. There are now two pair of double bellows there and it is expected they may be ready to work in a months time. Ordered that Mr. Tweedale do consider and inform the Court who may be a proper person to employ as mill agent there.

6th September 1764 LLC 12

Received £298 14s 6d for 2 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/31/4 oz (1133 oz 10 pw).

18th October 1764 L.LC 12

£131 11s was paid to Thomas Rust for 5 pairs of Smelting Refining bellows sent to the Company's works in the North.

25th October 1764 LLC 12

Received £572 8s 3d for 5 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/31/4 oz (2172 oz).

15th November 1764 LLC 12

Received £300 5s 0d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/31/4 oz (1139 oz 5 pw).

31st December 1764 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor
Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Devereux Bowly	Mr James Champain
Mr Thomas Cogan	Mr John Crellius
Thomas Emlyn Esq.	Mr Thomas How
Mr John Miers	Mr Daniel Mildred
Mr Peter Stapel	Mr Thomas Thomas
John Tucker Esq	Mr Simeon Warner

6th December 1764 LLC 12

Received £318 3s 8d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/4 oz (1193 oz 3 pw).

17th January 1765 LLC 12

Received £471 8s 0d for 4 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/33/4 oz (1774 oz 13 pw).

14th February 1765 LLC 12

Received £369 11s 5d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/4 oz (1385 oz 18 pw).

28th February 1765 LLC 12

Received £318 3s 2d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/4 oz (1193 oz 1 pw).

7th March 1765 LLC 12

£9 19s 5d for a piece of silver 37 oz 10 pw remains of sundry meltings in the year 1764 sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co at 5/4 oz.

4th April 1765 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 30th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

11th April 1765 LLC 12

Received £408 10s 0d for 4 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/4 oz (1531 oz 18 pw).

16th May 1765 LLC 12

Received £432 2s 4d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/4 1/4 oz (1607 oz 18 pw).

6th June 1765 LLC 12

Purchased the Dues of lead ore in the Manor of Aldstone Moor only, from Michaelmas 1763 to Michaelmas 1764 from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital. The Bouse ore at 46/- per Bing, the Cutting ore at 41/- per Bing.

13th June 1765 LLC 12

Received £437 1s 2d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/4 1/4 oz (1632 oz 12 pw).

27th June 1765 LLC 12

Coulson Skottowe Esq. attended the Court at which he executed a lease of all his mining liberties in the Counties of Northumberland and Durham for 21 years from Midsummer 1765 at 1/7th duty in ore.

18th July 1765 LLC 12

Mr John Guille St George attended the Court and proposed letting to the Company all his mining liberty in Priorsdale in the County of Cumberland late Mr William Hodgsons at one sixth Duty in ore to which the Court agreed.

25th July 1765 LLC 12

Received £561 4s 4d for 4 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/4 1/2 oz (2088 oz 4 pw).

8th August 1765 LLC 12

Received £323 8s 3d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 1/2 oz (1203 oz 8 pw).

Messrs Freeman & Stainbank agreed to take 7000 pieces of lead now in London and 5000 pieces more if not sold at Newcastle before the Courts letter of this nights post gets to their agent, at £13 10s a London fother.

17th October 1765 LLC 12

Received £611 0s 9d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/51/4 oz (2247 oz 10 pw).

Paid to Thomas Rust £30 for 1 pair of Large Bellows to the Company's works in the North.

24th October 1765 LLC 12

Received £225 16s 7d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/51/4 oz (830 oz 12 pw).

18th November 1765 LLC 12

Resolved that the yearly salaries of the under mentioned mill agents be raised five pounds each to be paid from Michaelmas last.

Anthony Watson at Acton mill from £25 to £30 per annum

William Johnson at Whitfield mill from £20 to £25 per annum

James Mulcaster at Nenthead mill from £20 to £25 per annum

28th November 1765 LLC 12

Received £465 12s 0d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/53/4 oz (1699 oz 10 pw).

5th December 1765 LLC 12

Resolved that the yearly salary of Joseph Watson agent at Jeffreys Mill and Deputy agent at Ramshaw mine be raised £5 per annum.

19th December 1765 LLC 12

Received £516 15s 11d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/51/2 oz (1893 oz 12 pw).

30th December 1765 LLC 38

A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor

Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Edward Athawes

Mr James Champain

Mr Robert Cooper

Thomas Emlyn Esq.

Mr Daniel Mildred

John Tucker Esq

Mr Devereux Bowly

Mr Thomas Cogan

Mr John Crellius

Mr Thomas How

Mr Peter Stapel

Mr Simeon Warner

23rd January 1766 LLC 12

Received £707 7s 11d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/6 oz (2572 oz 6 pw).

30th January 1766 LLC 12

The solicitors of the Mint having on 19th December last wrote a letter to the directors as follows.

“Gentlemen

“I waited on you today by directions of the Mint to acquaint you that they have not at present any silver in the office and as the coinage of the small money for the Maunday approaches the office is under a necessity of reminding you of the terms of your charter and to desire you would forthwith order some silver to be sent in as the same is always appropriated for the service of the Maunday.”

William Chamberlayne
Solicitor to the Mint.

The Court are of the opinion the Charter doth not oblige them to send their silver to the Mint and besides the coinage price of 5s 2d per ounce is so much under the market price it would be a manifest loss to the Company.

And the solicitor of the Mint having called again at the office the secretary showed him the charter, after reading of which the solicitor said he saw nothing therein that obliged the Company to send their silver to the Mint.

27th February 1766 LLC 12

Received £399 13s 7d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/6 1/2 oz (1442 oz 10 pw).

Mr Chamberlayne solicitor to the Mint came to the Court about the Company sending their silver to the Tower and mentioned the Act of 1st William & Mary Chapter 30 to which the Court gave for answer that they were ready to send silver to the Mint provided the Company were to receive the full and true value but that they did not think the Company obliged by the Act 1st William & Mary Chapter 30 to sell the Company silver at 5s 2d ounce which is the Mint price.

Below is printed the Act in question, it was repealed, all but section IV in 1867 by Cap59.

CAP. XXX.

An Act to repeal the Statute made in, the Fifth Year of King Henry the Fourth against, the multiplying Gold and Silver.

I. WHEREAS by a Statute made and enacted in the Parliament held in the fifth year of the reign of King Henry the Fourth, late King of England, it was, amongst other, Things, enacted in these Words, or to this effect, namely, "That none from thenceforth should use to multiply Gold or silver or use the craft of multiplication; and if any the same do, they should incur the pain of felony". And whereas since the making of the said statute, diverse persons have by their study, industry, and learning, arrived to great skill and perfection in the art of melting and refining metals, and otherwise improving them and their ores, 9which very much abound within the realm), and extracting gold and silver out of the same; but dare not exercise their said skill within this realm, for fear of falling under the penalty of the said statute, but exercise the said art in foreign parts, to the great loss and detriment of this realm.

II. Be it therefore enacted by the King's and Queen's most excellent Majesties, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, That from henceforth the aforesaid branch, article, or sentence, contained in the said act, and every word, matter, and thing, contained in the said branch or sentence, shall be repealed, annulled, revoked, and for ever made void; any thing in the said Act to the contrary in any wise whatsoever notwithstanding.

III. Provided always, and be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all the gold and silver that shall be extracted by the aforesaid act of melting and refining of metals, and otherwise improving of them and their ores, as before set forth be from henceforth employed for no other use or uses whatsoever, but for the increase of monies; and that the place hereby appointed for the disposal thereof, shall be their Majesties Mint within the Tower of London; at which place they are to receive the full and true values for their gold and silver so extracted from

time to time, according to the assay and fineness thereof and so for any greater or lesser weight: And that none of that metal of gold and silver, so refined and extracted, be permitted to be used or disposed of in any other place or places within their Majesties Kingdoms and Dominions.

IV. Provided also, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That no mine of copper, tin, iron, or lead, shall hereafter be adjudged, or taken to be a royal mine, although gold and silver may be extracted out of the same.

27th March 1766 LLC 38

A General Court

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 25th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

17th April 1766 LLC 12

Received £924 11s 1d for 7 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/61/4 oz (3349 oz 6 pw).

8th May 1766 LLC 12

Having considered the state of the Company's cash. The Court borrowed £2,000 from John Tucker one of the Assistants of the Court at 5 per cent per annum. Mr Morgan the Superintendent of the Company's White Lead Works had died on the 6th May, William Forrest who was his assistant and who had the care of the works was to attend the next Court.

15th May 1766 LLC 12

Received £453 7s 7d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/65/8 oz (1633 oz 4 pw).

22nd May 1766 LLC 12

Sold Messrs Freeman & Stainbank 1105 pieces of lead now in London at £14 10s per London Fother.

29th May 1766 LLC 12

Sold Messrs Freeman & Stainbank 60 tons of lead deliverable on Chester river £15 a Gadlis ton.

5th June 1766 LLC 12

Received £437 9s 11d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 oz (1567 oz 2 pw).

12th June 1766 LLC 12

Mr William Forrest was chosen to be Superintendent of the Company's White Lead Works at a salary of £50 per annum.

10th July 1766 LLC 12

Bought the Dues of lead ore of part of the Derwentwater Estate from Michaelmas 1764 to Michaelmas 1765 from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital. The Bouse ore at 54/- per Bing, the Cutting ore at 49/- per Bing.

24th July 1766 LLC 12

Received £835 3s 0d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/71/4 oz (2980 oz 10 pw).

14th August 1766 LLC 12

Received £632 8s 4d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co. at 5/7 oz (2265 oz 8 pw).

28th August 1766 LLC 12

The Company seal was affixed to the counterpart of a lease from the Honourable Edward Montagu and others to this Company of a moiety of mines and veins of lead ore within the liberty Lordship and Manor of Hunstanworth in the parish of Hunstanworth in the County of Durham for 21 years from the 12th May next ensuing at one sixth duty in ore.

18th September 1766 LLC 12

Agreed to sell 5000 pieces of lead deliverable at Newcastle to Messrs Freeman & Stainbank at £15 5s Newcastle fother.

25th September 1766 LLC 12

Received £492 8s 5d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 1/2 oz (1750 oz 16 pw).

A letter was received from William Ord Esq. to this Company concerning an application to be made to parliament next session for a new road intended to be made from Hexham to Penrith. Resolved that this Company do subscribe five hundred pounds to the said intended new road.

16th October 1766 LLC 12

Received £1036 2s 2d for 8 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 1/2 oz (3683 oz 18 pw).

20th November 1766 LLC 12

Received £441 15s 9d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 1/2 oz (1570 oz 16 pw).

24th December 1766 LLC 12

Received £770 17s 3d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 1/4 oz (2751 oz).

29th December 1766 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor
Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Edward Athanies	Mr Robert Cooper
Mr John Crellius	Thomas Emlyn Esq.
Mr Thomas How	Mr John Masterman
Mr John Miers	Mr Daniel Mildred
William Mills Esq.	Mr Peter Stapel
Mr John Hughes	John Tucker Esq

5th February 1767 LLC 12

Received £921 3s 1d for 7 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 1/4 oz (3287 oz 8 pw).

26th February 1767 LLC 12

The Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital having advertised that they will the 4th March next receive proposals for the purchase of the dues of lead ore of the following mines in Aldston Moor from Michaelmas 1765 to Michaelmas 1767 together or in parcels.

Rampgill & Redgroves	Middlecleugh 2nd Sun
Rampgill Sun Vein	Longcleugh
Thortergill	Fletcheras
Guddamgill Moss	Carrs
Middlecleugh	Windy Brow
Middlecleugh 1st Vein	Old Blagill

Resolved that the Governor and Company write a letter to the Commissioners on behalf of the Company offering for the whole of the Dues 52/- per Bing for the Bouse and 47/- for the Cutting ore.

Thursday the 5th March 1767 LLC 12

Received £510 13s 0d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Messrs Floyer & Price at 5/7 oz (1829 oz 4 pw).

Purchased the Dues of lead ore from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital of the Derwentwater Estate from Michaelmas 1765 to Michaelmas 1766. The Bouse ore at 52/- per Bing, the Cutting ore at 47/- per Bing.

2nd April 1767 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 1st July next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

9th April 1767 LLC 12

Received £777 1s 9d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 oz (2783 oz 12 pw).

14th May 1767 LLC 12

Received £757 6s 5d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 1/2 oz (2692 oz 14 pw).

11th June 1767 LLC 12

Received £498 11s 3d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 oz (1785 oz 18 pw).

18th June 1767 LLC 12

Attended the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital and bought the Duty ore of the Derwentwater Estate from Michaelmas 1766 to Michaelmas 1767. The Bouse ore at 53/- per Bing, the Cutting ore at 48/- per Bing.

16th July 1767 LLC 12

Received £777 8s 0d for 6 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/6 3/4 oz (2795 oz 2 pw).

30th July 1767 LLC 12

Received 393 0s 7d for 3 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Messrs Floyer & Co at 5/6 3/4 oz (1413 oz 2 pw).

20th August 1767 LLC 12

Received £710 14s 10d for 6 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/6 1/2 oz (2565 oz 2 pw).

3rd September 1767 LLC 12

Resolved the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital be applied to have the use of their smelt mill eighteen months more from the Expiration of the first nine months in November 1767 the Company having bought three years Dues.

Resolved that a new hearth be built at Nenthead mill with the necessary alteration to be made in consequence thereof and that all unrefinable ore near said mill be smelted there for sale in pigs of one hundredweight each.

Resolved that James Mulcaster agent at Nenthead mill be allowed five pounds per annum in lieu of a house.

Resolved that Joseph Watson agent at Jeffrys mill be appointed assistant to Thomas Tweedale in Derwent &c. and that his salary be increased ten pounds per annum for that service.

Resolved that James Wilkinson's salary be augmented ten pounds per annum in consideration of the increased business at Rampgill and mines adjacent.

Resolved that Thomas Friends salary be augmented five pounds per annum in consideration of the increase of his business.

These advances of salary to commence at Midsummer last.

Resolved that a lease of the Close at Shildon be take of the widow Smith for her term therein.

Resolved that a present of twenty five guineas be given to William Westgarth for his new constructed water engine in Rampgill mine.

10th September 1767 LLC 12

Received £476 7s 6d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/6 1/2 oz (1719 oz 4 pw).

24th September 1767 LLC 12

Messrs Freeman & Stainbank agreed to buy 10000 pieces of lead now in London at £14 5s London fother.

22nd October 1767 LLC 12

Received £884 5s 10d for 7 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Messrs Allcraft & Co at 5/6 1/2 oz (3194 oz 4 pw).

19th November 1767 LLC 12

Received £555 3s 1d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/6 oz (2018 oz 14 pw).

17th December 1767 LLC 12

Received £520 14s 9d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/6 oz (1893 oz 12 pw).

28th December 1767 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor

Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Devereux Bowly

Mr Thomas Cogan

Mr John Crellius

Mr James Champain

Mr Robert Cooper

Thomas Emlyn Esq.

Mr John Masterman
Mr Daniel Mildred
Mr Peter Stapel

Mr John Miers
William Mills Esq.
Mr John Stiegler

21st January 1768 LLC 12

Received £959 4s 2d for 7 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/53/4 oz (3501 oz 6 pw).

Read over and affixed the Company's seal to a lease and counterpart of an undivided Moiety of Rampshaw and other mines in the Manor of Hunstanworth in the County of Durham for 21 years from 29th September 1767 at one sixth duty of ore raised.

And also of a mill called Bollyhope in the said Manor for 21 years from 29th September 1767 at £12 10s per annum.

The former lease from Robert Ord Esquire dated 2nd August 1748 and articles of agreement with the same dated 2nd August 1758 being first delivered up to be cancelled.

25th February 1768 LLC 12

Received £410 7s 9d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/53/4 oz (1498 oz).

31st March 1768 LLC 38

A General Court

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 30th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

7th April 1768 LLC 12

Received £957 16s 5d for 7 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr John Masterman at 5/7 oz (3431 oz).

19th May 1768 LLC 12

Received £346 19s 10d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/71/4 oz (1238 oz 6 pw).

16th June 1768 LLC 12

Received £432 14s 8d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 oz (1550 oz 2 pw).

21st July 1768 LLC 12

Received £1142 19s 9d for 8 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/63/8 oz (4132 oz 16 pw).

25th July 1768 LLC 12

Messrs Freeman and Stainbank agreed to purchase 12000 pieces of lead deliverable at London at £13 15s London fother.

25th August 1768 LLC 12

Received £725 19s 6d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/61/2 oz (2620 oz 2 pw).

8th September 1768 LLC 12

Messrs Ellill and Lancaster purchased 2000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £14 10s Newcastle fother.

22nd September 1768 LLC 13

Received £479 13s 5d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/6 1/2 oz (1731 oz 1 pw).

20th October 1768 LLC 13

Received £1088 3s 2d for 8 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/6 1/2 oz (3927 oz 2 pw).

10th November 1768 LLC 13

Received £545 17s 8d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 oz (1955 oz 4 pw).

24th November 1768 LLC 13

Mr Samuel Freeman & Co bought 1998 pieces of lead delivered at London at £13 15s London fother on shore.

28th November 1768 LLC 13

The Reverend Mr Lancaster on behalf of the Parishioners of Alston in the County of Cumberland, attended the Court and delivered a petition from them desiring the Company's contribution towards rebuilding their church, which after being taken into consideration. Resolved that £50 be contributed for the above purpose and when Mr Thomas Hall is wrote to, he be directed to pay the same.

15th December 1768 LLC 13

Received £876 8s 4d for 7 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 1/8 oz (3133 oz 6 pw).

2nd January 1769 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor
Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Samuel Athawes	Mr Devereux Bowly
Mr James Champain	Mr Thomas Cogan
Mr Robert Cooper	Thomas Emlyn Esq.
Mr John Masterman	Mr John Miers
Mr Daniel Mildred	William Mills Esq.
Mr John Stiegler	John Tucker Esq

5th January 1769 LLC 13

Received £590 18s 4d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 1/4 oz (2077 oz 9 pw).

26th January 1769 LLC 13

Received £287 3s 9d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 3/4 oz (1017 oz 3 pw).

9th February 1769 LLC 13

John Moses Esq. attended the Court at which the proposals for his letting his lead mines on his several estates in Durham dated the 3rd instant for 21 years from Mayday next and delivered by his agent to Thomas Tweedale who encloses them to the Court the 4th instant, were read and agreed to, and a draft of a lease is ordered to be prepared accordingly.

23rd February 1769 LLC 13

Received £648 7s 10d for 5 ingots of silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 oz (2296 oz 18 pw).

2nd March 1769 LLC 13

Contributed £30 towards the cost of rebuilding the Parish church at Halken in the County of Flint.

9th March 1769 LLC 13

Read over the draft of a lease from John Moses Esq. to the Company of the mines in certain lands called Broadwood, Biggins and Harrup in the Bishopric of Durham and ordered the same to be engrossed and at the same time agreed with Mr. Moses to take all the work tools on the premises at a valuation to be made by two indifferent persons one to be appointed by Mr. Moses Esq. and the other by the Court.

16th March 1769 LLC 13

Received £344 6s 8d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/63/4 oz (1238 oz 1 pw).

Read over the Engrossment of a lease from John Moses Esq. to this Company of mines in certain lands called Broadwood, Biggins and Harrup in the Bishoprick of Durham for 21 years from the 1st May 1769 at one seventh duty of lead and copper ore and affixed the Company seal to the same.

30th March 1769 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 28th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

13th April 1769 LLC 13

Received £780 17s 2d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 oz (2797 oz 1 pw).

27th April 1769 LLC 13

Agreed to take the mine leases of Ramshaw and other mines in the Manor of Hunstanworth in the county of Durham for 21 years from 29th September 1767 at one seventh Duty ore from the Honourable Edward Montague, John Thompson, William Archdeacon, Henry Ellison and Mary Gilpin. The Company's seal was affixed. (this was a renewal of a lease)

11th May 1769 LLC 13

Received £833 2s 10d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 oz (2984 oz 4 pw).

8th June 1769 LLC 13

Following the visit of the deputation to Derbyshire it was.

Resolved that John Taylor agent at Yate Stoop mine and Sough, Lathkildale, and Ballington Wood be continued agent at those mines.

Resolved that George Ridley as agent at Millclose, Girdale, Wateringclose, Bithoms, and Bought wood be continued at those mines.

Resolved that William Smith be employed as Corresponding agent for mining affairs, and to have the care of the Company's concerns in general and receive accounts from the mining agents at the salary of sixty pounds per annum from 21st May last.

Resolved that George Tissington son of the late Mr Tissington be employed as assistant to William Smith at the salary of £30 per annum from 21st May last.

15th June 1769 LLC 13

Paid £114 19s 0d to Coulson Skottowe in full for duty ore at Shildon &c. mines to 31st December last.

29th June 1769 LLC 13

Mr William Smith the Company's late apprentice, since chosen their agent in Derbyshire, attended the Court, with whom they had some conversation relating to the Company mines there and also about further prosecution thereof.

Resolved that 20 guineas be given him as a gratuity towards the expenses necessary for the fitting him out for the Company's service.

Resolved that 10 guineas be given to George Tissington for his trouble and expenses on the Company's business since the death of his father from the 20th October 1768 to the 21st May last.

13th July 1769 LLC 13

Received £531 10s 1d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 oz (1903 oz 18 pw).

10th August 1769 LLC 13

Received £971 14s 10d for 7 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 1/8 oz (3474 oz 8 pw).

Joseph Lancaster & Co bought 7000 pieces of lead delivered at London at £13 12s 6d London fother on shore.

17th August 1769 LLC 13

Messrs Freeman & Stainbank bought 8000 pieces of lead delivered at London at £13 12s 6d London fother on shore.

14th September 1769 LLC 13

Received £476 16s 5d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (1682 oz 18 pw).

21st September 1769 LLC 13

Mr Thomas Brown the Company's agent at Nenthead being deceased

Resolved that John Hudson one of the Company's agents be appointed in the room of the late Mr. Brown as agent at Nenthead at the salary of fifty pounds per annum to commence from Michaelmas next and to dwell in the house at Nenthead lately occupied by the said Mr. Brown.

Resolved that William Ainsley's salary be advanced Ten pounds per annum to commence Michaelmas next.

Resolved that Charles White's salary be advanced Ten pounds per annum to commence Michaelmas next.

12th October 1769 LLC 13

Received £846 9d 8d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (2987 oz 12 pw).

26th October 1769 LLC 13

A lease from George Baker Esq. to this Company of mines called Newbiggin or Newbiggin Hope in the Manor of Bulbeck in the County of Northumberland which expired the 24th of June last, was ordered to be sent to Thomas Tweedale to be delivered up to the said George Baker.

16th November 1769 LLC 13

Received £987 0s 1d for 7 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (3483 oz 10 pw).

7th December 1769 LLC 13

Received £575 14s 11d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (2032 oz).

21st December 1769 LLC 13

A rough draught of a lease from this Company to Benjamin Harvard and Humphrey Jones of ground in the Hundred of Prestatin in the County of Flint for a liberty of mining Loughing in part of the said Hundred during the Company's term therein, was read and approved and ordered to be sent to Mr Ward for him to lay the same before the said Harvard and Jones.

1st January 1770 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor
Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Samuel Athawes	Mr Devereux Bowly
Mr James Champain	Mr Thomas Cogan
Mr Robert Cooper	Mr John Crellius
Mr John Masterman	Mr John Miers
William Mills Esq.	Mr Peter Staple
Mr John Stiegler	John Tucker Esq

11th January 1770 LLC 13

Received £1030 2s 10d for 7 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (3635 oz 16 pw).

15th February 1770 LLC 13

Received £680 19s 0d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (2403 oz 8 pw).

1st March 1770 LLC 13

Affixed the Company seal to Articles of Agreement between the Company and Benjamin Harvard and Humphrey Jones for liberty of carrying up a level in the Hundred of Prestatin in the County of Flint for 7 years from the 25th December 1769 said articles dated 3rd February 1770.

29th March 1770 LLC 38**A General Court**

Resolved. That a dividend of five shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next & that warrants for the same be delivered on Wednesday 27th June next at the Company's House in St Martin's Lane Cannon Street.

5th April 1770 LLC 13

Received £1177 18s 7d for 8 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (4157 oz 8 pw).

Affixed the Company seal to a counterpart of a lease from Robert Barker to the Company of a Smelt Mill called Barkers Mill formerly Bowers Mill in Ashover in the County of Derby for 21 years from Ladyday 1770 and of lands adjoining the mill for the said term. The mill at £20 per annum and £12 15s per annum for the lands.

3rd May 1770 LLC 13

Read and affixed the Company seal to the following leases from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital to this Company of mines and veins of lead ore on Alston Moor in the County of Cumberland from the several times as hereunder specified, all for 21 years.

	Commence	Dated	Duty
Hudgill	18 November 1763	4 March 1769	1/5
Cornrigg	4 August 1764	4 March 1769	1/6
Crossgill Head	4 August 1764	4 March 1769	1/6
Dowgang	6 April 1765	25 February 1769	1/5
Thortergill Cross vein	28 July 1766	15 March 1769	1/5
Scaleburn Moss	1 July 1767	15 March 1769	1/5
Middlecleugh 2nd			
Sun vein East End	1 July 1767	15 March 1769	1/5
Middlecleugh	1 July 1767	4 May 1768	1/5
Longholehead	1 July 1767	4 May 1768	1/5
Longcleugh	1 July 1767	6 April 1768	1/5
Taylors Grove	13 October 1767	15 March 1769	1/5

10th May 1770 LLC 13

Paid £232 10s 11d to Coulson Skottowe for duty ore at Shildon &c. mines to 31st December last.

17th May 1770 LLC 13

Received £785 2s 3d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 1/4 oz (2760 oz 16 pw).

7th June 1770 LLC 13

Resolved that Joseph Watson agent at Jeffrys mill and assistant to Mr Tweedale in Derwent &c. that his salary be advanced £7 per annum from Christmas last being now £42 per annum. Resolved that James Mulcaster agent at Nenthead mill be advanced five pounds per annum from Christmas last being now £35 per annum.

Mr Thomas Tweedale the company Chief Agent in the North who had been ordered to go into Derbyshire and take a view of the Companies affairs attended the Court and laid before them his written report.

11th June 1770 LLC 13

Resolved that 20 guineas be paid Mr Tweedale by the secretary as a gratuity for his extraordinary services. (He had just completed a view and report of the Derbyshire mines and works)

14th June 1770 LLC 13

Paid £107 10s to Thomas Edsall for 50 half barrels of Gunpowder sent to the Company's works in the North.

21st June 1770 LLC 13

Received £428 8s 9d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 1/4 oz (1506 oz 12 pw).

19th July 1770 LLC 13

Paid £107 10s to Thomas Edsall for 50 half barrels of Gunpowder sent to the Company's works in the North.

26th July 1770 LLC 13

Joseph Lancaster & Co bought 10000 pieces of lead delivered at London at £15 12s 6d London fother on shore.

9th August 1770 LLC 13

Received £858 2s 8d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/75/8 oz (3045 oz 10 pw).

Thomas Preston bought 2000 pieces of lead delivered in London at £13 12s 6d London fother. Messrs Freeman & Stainbank bought 10000 pieces of lead delivered in London at £13 12s 6d London fother.

23rd August 1770 LLC 13

Received £733 1s 4d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/75/8 oz (2601 oz 12 pw).

20th September 1770 LLC 13

Received £475 8s 9d for ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/71/2 oz (1690 oz 8 pw).

4th October 1770 LLC 13

Mr. Peregrine Tyzack the Company's late agent at Newcastle who had the care of receiving, selling and shipping their lead being deceased, the Court came to the following resolution. Resolved that Mr. Middleton Hewitson be appointed in the room of the said Peregrine Tyzack for the above services.

25th October 1770 LLC 13

Received £768 12s 5d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/73/8 oz (2737 oz 18 pw).

13th December 1770 LLC 13

Received £705 8s 9d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/71/4 oz (2517 oz 10 pw).

27th December 1770 LLC 13

Received £713 4s 3d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/71/4 oz (2545 oz 6 pw).

31st December 1770 LLC 38**A Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor
Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Samuel Athawes	Mr Devereux Bowly
Mr James Champain	Mr Thomas Cogan
Mr John Crellius	Thomas Emlyn Esq.
Mr John Masterman	Mr John Miers
Mr Daniel Mildred	William Mills Esq.
Mr Peter Staple	John Tucker Esq

31st January 1771 LLC 13

Received £733 19s 7d for 5 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/73/8 oz (2614 oz 10 pw).

14th February 1771 LLC 13

Received £472 10s 8d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/73/8 oz (1683 oz 4 pw).

28th February 1771 LLC 13

The Company seal was affixed to the counterpart of a lease from Timothy Hutchinson Esq. to this Company of Mines and veins at or near a certain place in the common of Eggleston in the manor of Eggleston in the County of Durham commonly called Flakebridge extending in length 800 yards eastwards from a certain beck, rivulet or burn called Grainbeck or Egglesthope Grainbeck and 120 yards in breadth that is to say 60 yards on each side of the said Flakebridge vein or veins in any part thereof to hold the said mine with a smelt mill and refining house for twenty one years from 11th November 1770 at one fifth duty on ore and six pounds per annum for the mill.

28th March 1771 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors Midsummer next.

11th April 1771 LLC 13

Received £831 18s 1d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/81/8 oz (2930 oz 14 pw).

16th May 1771 LLC 13

Received £362 13s 8d for 2 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/71/2 oz (1289 oz 10 pw).

30th May 1771 LLC 13

Joseph Lancaster & Co bought 13200 pieces of lead. At £15 Newcastle fother for 12000 pieces delivered at Newcastle and 1200 pieces delivered in London at £14 10s London fother.

20th June 1771 LLC 13

Subscribed £500 to the company building a canal from Chesterfield to Stockworth.

4th July 1771 LLC 13

Received £894 9s 4d for 6 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/71/4 oz (3192 oz 2 pw).

25th July 1771 LLC 13

Received £221 8s 5d for 2 ingots of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/71/4 oz (790 oz 4 pw).

22nd August 1771 LLC 13

Received £849 17s 10d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/73/8 oz (3027 oz 8 pw).

5th September 1771 LLC 13

Paid £173 19s 2d to Coulson Skottowe in full for duty ore at Shildon &c. mines to the 31st December last.

26th September 1771 LLC 13

Received £606 11s 1d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/73/8 oz (2160 oz 12 pw).

10th October 1771 LLC 13

Joseph Lancaster & Co bought 20 tons of White lead at £25 10s ton.

16th October 1771 LLC 13

Messrs Tweedale & Smith attended and their reports together with those of John Taylor and George Ridley dated the 4th instant as also a letter from Mr Humphrey of Winchester dated the 5th instant were read upon consideration thereof and the plan of Placket Sough and Cowley Sough and some of the estimates &c.

This committee are of opinion that the Placket Sough be continued driving Westward in Coastrake towards Placket and Portaway.

That the Sough from the Old Besse Shaft from Yate Stoop which is already drove 90 yards from the said shaft as appears by the plan, be pursued as far as necessary for the relief of Drake and Limekiln Mines.

That it appears to this Committee that on Mr Smith's return to Winster he do apply to the Proprietors of Limekiln (who are consolidated with Burning Drake and who in 1758 entered into articles with the former Partners of Cowly Sough) and require of them to come into articles of composition and being evident they have already been relieved.

It is further the opinion of this Committee that as Placket Sough is pursuing so it would be proper to enter into articles of Composition with the proprietors of Portaway mine therefore they apprehend it would be proper for the Court to direct Mr Smith to apply to them.

There has been some correspondence about the Portaway Composition and they have hinted at some clause that is in the Placket articles that this Committee refer to the Court, whether the Proprietors of Portaway should not be desired to prepare a draft of articles of Composition be sent to the Court that they may be compared with the Placket articles and then the Court to determine whether they will agree to the terms required by the Portaway Proprietors.

Millclose according to George Ridley's report a Sough is now taking forward to the South which may unwater several veins deeper than they ever have been worked, the forefield is short of a vein 30 yards which he hopes will alter it considerably for the better. He refers to a plan of operations which Mr Tweedale has approved which is to drive a Sough from Cowly Sough towards the forefield of Millclose being about 460 yards which might cost 30/- per yard exclusive of sinking shafts which will be proportioned to the distance as they want air.

Your Committee submit to the Court whether it may not be proper to enter upon that operation considering the opinion of miners that there are prospects of raising ore at Millclose and if the Company do not pursue effectual operation, there are persons as they are informed who would take up the working of said mine.

Your Committee submit to the Court an Estimate signed by William Smith, George Ridley and John Taylor in July last of the expenses of driving a branch out of Cowley Sough to Millclose forefield and of sinking a shaft upon the forefield of Millclose amounting to £1,151 12s 6d which admitting that this work should now be ordered they calculate might be driven 5 yards per week and would take up two years. Your Committee observed that Mr Tweedale and all the agents in Derbyshire agree the aforementioned Sough to be the effectual plan to proceed upon in regard to the forefield of Millclose mine, and other operations must ensue hereafter.

Lathkildale. According to the report of John Taylor of the 10th August last, the water had overpowered the Engine and by his reports of the 4th instant he says they had put in a third set of pumps in the Engine shaft and expected in a week to set the wheel to work so as to draw the water out of the deep bottom and set all the works at liberty to be wrought and by some alterations in the wheel at the engine it is expected the work will be carried on forcefully.

Yate Stoop. In a report from John Taylor of the 10th August last he says that he does not think it proper to make any material endeavours at that mine until Hill Car Sough is cut to Stoney Lee vein. It now wants 1,000 yards and consequently may take up 2 or 3 years in

driving and therefore the Committee are of opinion that the operations there should be continued only so far as to keep actual possession.
Ordered that said agents have each a copy thereof.

17th October 1771 LLC 13

Read over a Tack note from Henry Earl of Darlington to this Company of several veins called Manorgill and Flakebridge in the County of Durham dated 10th October 1770 for which the said Earl is to grant the Company a lease of some 21 years.

Ordered that Thomas Tweedale do sign the same on behalf of the Company.

Mr. Thomas Tweedale attended the Court and represented to them that John Hudson the Company's agent at Nenthead has had since his entering his present office much increase of business and that he thought him worthy of some advance of salary.

Resolved that the said John Hudson's salary be advanced ten pounds per annum say to sixty pounds per annum to commence Midsummer last.

Resolved that a gratuity of twenty guineas be given to Mr. Thomas Tweedale for his extraordinary services.

Resolved that William Smith be given a gratuity of 7 guineas for his extraordinary services.

31st October 1771 LLC 13

Received £822 7s 4d for 5 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/73/8 oz (2929 oz 8 pw).

7th November 1771 LLC 13

Affixed the Company seal to the counterpart of a lease from the Earl and Countess of Strathmore to this Company of mines and veins of lead ore called Birkdale alias Isabella Mea Hill at one fifth duty in ore, Blacksikes, Closehouse, Armgill, Standards, and Cock Lake, at one sixth duty in ore all the said mines and veins lying within the manors or Lordship of Lunedale, Lontton, Crosthwaite and Holwick in the County of York for 21 years from 12th May 1771.

12th December 1771 LLC 13

Received £965 5s 6d for 6 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (3406 oz 18 pw).

30th December 1771 LLC 38

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor
Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Samuel Athawes	Mr Devereux Bowly
Mr James Champain	Mr Thomas Cogan
Mr John Crellius	Thomas Emlyn Esq.
Mr John Masterman	Mr John Miers
Mr Daniel Mildred	William Mills Esq.
Mr Peter Stapel	John Tucker Esq

23rd January 1772 LLC 13

Received £525 1s 5d for 3 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/81/4 oz (1846 oz 8 pw).

20th February 1772 LLC 13

Received £289 11s 7d for 2 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/81/4 oz (1018oz 6 pw).

26th March 1772 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors Midsummer next.

14th May 1772 LLC 13

Received £538 13s 11d for 3 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/75/8 oz (1884 oz).

21st May 1772 LLC 13

£177 15s 6d paid to Coulson Skottowe in full for duty ore at Shildon &c. mines to the 31st December last.

9th July 1772 LLC 13

Received £587 0s 1d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 oz (2102 oz 14 pw).

Read and affixed the Company seal to the following leases from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital to this Company of mines and veins of lead ore on Alston Moor in the County of Cumberland from the several times as hereunder specified, all for 21 years.

	Commence	Dated	Duty
Thortergill Cross vein	1 April 1769	13 June 1770	1/5
Clargill Cleugh	10 October 1769	6 March 1771	1/5
Shawfoot sun Vein	16 December 1769	6 March 1771	1/5
Dowgang North vein	16 December 1769	6 March 1771	1/5
Shawfoot	16 December 1769	6 March 1771	1/5
Donke burn	7 September 1769	6 March 1771	1/6

13th August 1772 LLC 13

Received £1044 0s 3d for 6 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/53/4 oz (3810 oz 16 pw).

17th September 1772 LLC 13

Received £391 8s 4d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/51/4 oz (1439 oz 14 pw).

8th October 1772 LLC 13

Received £582 0s 6d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/6 oz (2108 oz 10 pw).

19th November 1772 LLC 13

Received £804 17s 9d for 5 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/45/8 oz (2989 oz 2pw).

17th December 1772 LLC 13

Received £594 6s 7d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/41/2 oz (2211 oz 10 pw).

Mr. Thomas Tweedale the Company's late agent being deceased the Court proceeded to the choice of a Chief agent for the superintendence of all the Company's mines and works in the North.

Resolved that John Hudson be appointed chief agent for the superintendence of all the Company's mines and works in the North.

Resolved that his salary for the above service be one hundred pounds per annum to commence from Michaelmas last.

Resolved that Thomas Hall the Company's cashier and accountant in the North be appointed superintendent of all the Company's mills in the North with an additional salary of twenty pounds per annum together eighty pounds per annum to commence from Michaelmas last.

4th January 1773 LLC 38

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor
Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Samuel Athawes	Mr James Champain
Mr Thomas Cogan	Mr Robert Harris Cooper
Mr John Crellius	Thomas Emlyn Esq.
Mr John Masterman	Mr John Miers
Mr Daniel Mildred	Mr Peter Stapel
Mr Deputy John Stiegler	John Tucker Esq

21st January 1773 LLC 13

Received £650 14s 6d for 4 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 1/2 oz (2421 oz 6 pw).

Leases from Lord Grosvenor in Wales, County of Flint.

A lease of ground lying at Penyfodd Newydd in the Township of Brynford Parish of Holywell dated 25th March 1772 for 21 years at the farm of 30/- per ton for lead ore and 20/- per ton for Calamine.

A lease of ground lying at Moely Croia in the Parish of Halkin dated 25th March 1772 for 21 years at the farm of 30/- per ton for lead ore and 20/- per ton for Calamine.

A lease of ground lying at Moely Gaer in the Parish of Northope dated 25th March 1772 for 21 years at the farm of 30/- per ton for lead ore and 20/- per ton for Calamine.

A lease of ground lying at Brynford Mountain in the Parish of Holywell dated 25th March 1772 for 21 years at the farm of 30/- per ton for lead ore and 20/- per ton for Calamine.

A lease of ground lying at Rhesy Cae in the Parish of Halkin dated 25th March 1772 for 21 years at the farm of 35/- per ton for lead ore and 20/- per ton for Calamine.

25th February 1773 LLC 13

Received £644 6s 0d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 3/4 oz (2388 oz 2 pw).

25th March 1773 LLC 38

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors Midsummer next.

8th April 1773 LLC 13

Received £669 18s 7d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 3/4 oz (2483 oz 2 pw).

13th May 1773 LLC 13

Received £526 5s 7d for 4 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 oz (1973 oz 10 pw).

Mr John Hudson and Mr Thomas Hall from the North attended the Court and John Hudson took the oaths appointed by the Charter and delivered his Bond of security to the Company for the sum of £200.

Received £465 interest for one year on 155 East India Company Bonds.

10th June 1773 LLC 13

Received £471 2s 10d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/31/2 oz (1780 oz 14 pw).

8th July 1773 LLC 13

Received £659 14s 8d for 4 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/33/4 oz (2483 oz 14 pw).

29th July 1773 LLC 13

Sold to Joseph Lancaster & Co 10000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £12 15s Newcastle fother.

26th August 1773 LLC 13

Received £1129 6s 1d for 7 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/35/8 oz (4259 oz 18 pw).

30th September 1773 LLC 13

Received £473 17s 8d for 3 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/35/8 oz (1787 oz 10 pw).

21st October 1773 LLC 13

Received £844 12s 4d for 5 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/31/2 oz (3192 oz 6 pw).

2nd December 1773 LLC 13

Received £961 13s 9d for 8 ingots of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/31/4 oz (3649 oz 2 pw).

23rd December 1773 LLC 13

Received £606 6s 2d for 6 ingots of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/3 oz (2309 oz 14 pw).

3rd January 1774 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor
Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Samuel Athawes	Mr Richard Chester
Mr Robert Harris Cooper	Mr John Crellius
Thomas Emlyn Esq.	Mr John Masterman
Mr John Miers	William Mills Esq.
Mr Daniel Mildred	Mr Edwin Sandys
Mr Peter Stapel	John Tucker Esq

6th January 1774 LLC 13

Samuel Wordsworth Esquire having informed the Court that there have been saved out of the Anne, Captain Thomas Belsey, lost on the Anhout (Anholt) Reef in the year 1742 about 180 pieces of lead. The Company seal was affixed to a power of attorney to Nicholas Fenwick Esq. the British Consul at Elsinore (Helsingor) for the receiving of said lead from John Classen Esq. of Stockholm in whose custody it is.

27th January 1774 LLC 13

Received £825 1s 11d for 22 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/31/4 oz (3130 oz 16 pw).

10th March 1774 LLC 13

Received £497 3s 2d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/31/4 oz (1886 oz 10 pw).

31st March 1774 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors Midsummer next.

14th April 1774 LLC 13

Received £459 12s 5d for 17 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/33/4 oz (1730 oz 6 pw).

19th May 1774 LLC 13

Received £424 14s 5d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 oz (1592 oz 14 pw).

Joseph Lancaster & Co bought 10000 pieces of the company lead deliverable at Newcastle at £13 Newcastle fother.

Thomas Preston bought 4000 pieces of lead deliverable at Newcastle at £13 Newcastle fother. Messrs Whitfield, Smith and Taylor attended agreeable to the minutes of the last Court and were asked several questions further relating to the Company's affairs in Derbyshire and having been fully informed from them the prospects and expectations of said affairs.

Resolved that Lathkildale mine be pursued.

Resolved to continue Wateringclose upon the declaration of Mr William Smith the agent that an effectual trial may be made of the seven veins for about £500 in the course of twelve months.

Resolved that no expenses to be incurred on other works but what are necessary to keep possession till further orders.

Resolved that the agents have their expenses allowed them for their journey, and that Mr Whitfield do pay himself and Messrs Smith and Taylor Ten guineas each as a gratuity for their extra trouble.

9th June 1774 LLC 13

Received £684 12s 3d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 oz (2567 oz 6 pw).

14th July 1774 LLC 13

Received £868 16s 3d for 18 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/23/4 oz (3322 oz 18 pw).

18th August 1774 LLC 13

Received £1108 3s 8d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/3 oz (4221 oz 14 pw).

15th September 1774 LLC 13

Received £575 17s 10d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/3 1/2 oz (2176 oz 12 pw).

13th October 1774 LLC 13

Received £748 2s 2d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 1/2 oz (2783 oz 14 pw).

Affixed the Company seal to the Counterpart of two leases dated the 20th May 1774 from Pyers Mostyn.

Part of a field called Coedearbell in the township of Holywell,
Gyrneithin and Coedear Odyn Cratu in the township of Greenfield in the Parish of Holywell.
Both leases for 21 years from 26th June 1773 at 30/- per ton for lead ore, 20/- per ton for Caulke and 20/- per ton for Calamine.

20th October 1774 LLC 13

Received £258 16s 8d for 19 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 1/2 oz (963 oz 2 pw).

10th November 1774 LLC 13

Received £705 14s 9d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 1/2 oz (2626 oz).

15th December 1774 LLC 13

Received £739 11s 6d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 1/2 oz (2751 oz 18 pw).

2nd January 1775 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor
Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr James Champain	Mr Richard Chester
Thomas Cogan Esq	Mr Robert Harris Cooper
Mr John Crellius	Thomas Emlyn Esq.
Mr John Masterman	Mr John Miers
Mr Daniel Mildred	William Mills Esq.
Mr Edwin Sandys	Mr Peter Stapel

12th January 1775 LLC 13

Received £879 14s 0d for 18 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 1/2 oz (3273 oz 6 pw).

19th January 1775 LLC 13

William Forrest the Company's late Superintendent at their White Lead Works at Limehouse having absented himself from their service appointed Lawrence Desborough in his place on a salary of £50 per annum.

16th February 1775 LLC 13

Received £531 12s 0d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/41/2 oz (1978 oz).

16th March 1775 LLC 13

Received £489 2s 10d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/43/4 oz (1813 oz).

6th April 1775 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

11th May 1775 LLC 13

Received £737 11s 8d for 17 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/51/4 oz (2713 oz).

15th June 1775 LLC 13

Received £637 17s 9d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/41/2 oz (2373 oz 10 pw).

29th June 1775 LLC 13

Received £551 7s 10d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/41/4 oz (2059 oz 14 pw).

27th July 1775 LLC 13

Received £118 1s 8d for 9 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/41/4 oz (441 oz 2 pw).

10th August 1775 LLC 13

The Court having received from their Accountant and Cashier in Derbyshire the last quarterly accounts, on which there appears to be a considerable loss, the Court taking the same into consideration, a letter was wrote to William Smith to employ no more men than absolutely necessary to keep possession.

24th August 1775 LLC 13

Received £950 8s 10d for 8 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 oz (3564 oz 4 pw).

21st September 1775 LLC 13

Received £699 3s 4d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/41/2 oz (2601 oz 12 pw).

12th October 1775 LLC 13

Received £725 19s 10d for 17 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/43/4 oz (2690 oz 18 pw).

16th November 1775 LLC 13

Received £581 9s 11d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/43/4 oz (2155 oz 8 pw).

14th December 1775 LLC 13

Received £627 13s 7d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/5 1/2 oz (2299 oz 18 pw).

29th December 1775 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor
Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Samuel Athawes	James Champain Esq
Mr Richard Chester	Thomas Cogan Esq
Mr Robert Harris Cooper	Thomas Emlyn Esq.
Mr John Masterman	Mr John Miers
Mr Daniel Mildred	William Mills Esq.
Mr Edwin Sandys	John Tucker Esq

11th January 1776 LLC 13

Received £571 18s 2d for 8 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/5 oz (2111 oz 14 pw).

29th February 1776 LLC 13

Received £541 4s 7d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/5 1/2 oz (1983 oz 2 pw).

4th April 1776 LLC 13

Received £315 interest for one and half years on 70 East India Company Bonds. Read over and approved the draft of a conveyance of the Company's moiety or half part of Yate Stoop mine and Cowley's Sough &c. in the County of Derby to Francis Hurst and others in consideration of £2,640 to be paid the same.

4th April 1776 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors Midsummer next.

11th April 1776 LLC 13

Received £403 8s 7d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/5 1/2 oz (1478 oz 4 pw).

16th May 1776 LLC 13

Received £726 5s 6d for 10 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/6 oz (2641 oz).

6th June 1776 LLC 13

Received £594 12s 8d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/6 1/2 oz (2146 oz).

13th June 1776 LLC 13

Joseph Lancaster bought 10000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle. 9000 pieces refined at £13 7s 6d and 1000 pieces of slag lead at £13 Newcastle fother.

11th July 1776 LLC 13

Received £735 for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/53/4 oz (2682 oz 18 pw). Thomas Preston bought 4000 pieces of lead. 3600 pieces of refined and 400 pieces of slag lead at £13 10s Newcastle fother.

25th July 1776 LLC 13

Messrs Smith and Taylor attended the Court again and according to their report of Lathkildale mine they make the expense of carrying on said mine to amount to many thousands of pounds, but proposed an experiment to be tried at the Ridgeway Rake, which may be done at the expense of £10 or thereabouts. It was agreed they do complete it as soon as possible, which they said would be a fortnight, and give the Court an account of the success thereof.

That in the meantime it is the opinion of this Court that the whole of Lathkildale mine be sold, and that the agents do enquire for purchasers and the sale of the mine be advertised.

Millclose, Wateringclose and Ballington Wood to be carried on agreeable to the report of the agents.

Mr Smith was acquainted by the Court that Mr Whitfield is quitting the Company's service.

The Court proposed that he should take care of Bowers Mill and take upon him the receipts and payments and possession of the dwelling house near said mill to which he agreed.

Resolved that the agents have their expenses allowed them for their journey and that the secretary pay the said agents Messrs Smith and Taylor ten guineas each as a gratuity for extra trouble.

1st August 1776 LLC 13

The Company's seal was affixed to a conveyance dated 29th May 1776 of a Moiety or half part of Yates Stoop mine and Cowley Sough &c. in the County of Derby to Francis Hurst and others in consideration of the sum of £2,640 paid by them for the same.

15th August 1776 LLC 13

Received £785 12s 5d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/51/4 oz (2889 oz 12 pw).

19th September 1776 LLC 13

Received £782 17s 6d for 8 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/53/4 oz (2857 oz 12 pw).

10th October 1776 LLC 13

Received £850 13s 2d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/51/4 oz (3128 oz 18 pw).

14th November 1776 LLC 13

Received £531 1s 4d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/53/4 oz (1938 oz 10 pw).

12th December 1776 LLC 13

Received £715 5s 3d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/61/2 oz (2581 oz 8 pw).

27th December 1776 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected.

James Mathias Esq. Governor

Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Samuel Athawes

Mr Richard Chester

Thomas Cogan Esq
Mr John Crellius
Mr John Miers
Mr Edwin Sandys
John Tucker Esq

Mr Robert Harris Cooper
Mr John Masterman
Mr Charles Mills
Mr Peter Stapel
Mr Thomas Weston junr

16th January 1777 LLC 13

Received £732 16s 7d for 13 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7³/₄ oz (2596 oz).

20th February 1777 LLC 13

Received £542 16s 1d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8¹/₄ oz (1908 oz 16 pw).

20th March 1777 LLC 13

Received £293 1s 6d for 3 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8¹/₄ oz (1030 oz 12 pw).

27th March 1777 LLC 38

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors Midsummer next.

10th April 1777 LLC 13

Received £328 5s 6d for 3 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7¹/₂ oz (1167 oz 4 pw).

15th May 1777 LLC 13

Received £469 17s 0d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 oz (1683 oz 0 pw).

22nd May 1777 LLC 13

Joseph Lancaster & Co bought 9000 pieces of refined lead at £13 10s and 1000 pieces slag lead at £13 2s 6d Newcastle fother.

12th June 1777 LLC 13

Received £606 6s 6d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7¹/₄ oz (2163 oz 16 pw).

26th June 1777 LLC 13

The Court having resolved to sell the Company's several mines and works in Derbyshire and having accordingly advertised the sale thereof at Matlock Old Bark for Monday the 30th Instant.

The Court have requested Mr Jacob Hagen and Mr Richard Chester to set out for Derbyshire to attend the said sale and to act therein and on other matters as they shall judge necessary and proper for the Company's interest also to discharge or remove such agents or servants as they may think proper.

3rd July 1777 LLC 13

Received £806 14s 4d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7³/₄ oz (2857 oz 14 pw).

17th July 1777 LLC 13

Received £117 18s 6d for 9 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (416 oz 4 pw).

24th July 1777 LLC 13

The report of the Gentlemen who lately visited the Company's works in Derbyshire was further taken into consideration. And it is the opinion of this Court that William Smith is sufficient to conduct the Company's affairs in that Country and therefore agreed that John Taylor the other agent be discharged the Company's service and his salary paid up to Michaelmas next and notice was sent him accordingly.

21st August 1777 LLC 13

Received £1061 3s 4d for 8 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 oz (3801 oz 4 pw).

11th September 1777 LLC 13

Received £411 11s 8d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 1/4 oz (1468 oz 16 pw).

16th October 1777 LLC 13

Received £685 5s 3d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7 3/4 oz (2427 oz 10 pw).

6th November 1777 LLC 13

Received £842 15s 2d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (2974 oz 8 pw).

11th December 1777 LLC 13

Received £739 for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/9 1/4 oz (2561 oz 4 pw).

26th December 1777 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor

Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Samuel Athawes

Thomas Cogan Esq

Thomas Emlyn Esq

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Edwin Sandys

John Tucker Esq

Mr Richard Chester

Mr John Crellius

Mr John Miers

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Peter Stapel

Mr Thomas Weston junr

15th January 1778 LLC 13

Received £541 8s 8d for 18 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 3/4 oz (1890 oz 2 pw).

22nd January 1778 LLC 13

Took a lease from Lord Grosvenor of ground on Brinford Mountain in the Parish of Holywell dated 1st September 1777 for 21 years at the farm of 30/- per ton for lead ore at 20/- per ton for Calamine.

26th January 1778 LLC 13

Resolved that a letter be prepared against next Court to Mr Thomas Ward acquainting him that the Court having taken into consideration his conduct for some time past have come to a resolution to request he would provide for himself against Midsummer next, when they mean to send another agent to supply his place.

5th March 1778 LLC 13

Received £741 15s 9d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at $5/83/4$ oz (2589 oz 10 pw).

2nd April 1778 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

2nd April 1778 LLC 13a

Received £370 10s 4d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at $5/9$ oz (1288 oz 16 pw).

21st May 1778 LLC 13a

Joseph Lancaster & Co bought 9000 pieces of refined lead at £13 5s 0d and 1000 pieces of slag lead at £12 17s 6d Newcastle fother.

11th June 1778 LLC 13a

Received £755 12s 7d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at $5/6$ oz (2747 oz 14 pw).

9th July 1778 LLC 13a

Received £762 2s 1d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at $5/43/4$ oz (2824 oz 16 pw).

13th August 1778 LLC 13a

Received £927 6s 10d for 8 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at $5/41/4$ oz (3464 oz).

10th September 1778 LLC 13a

Received £432 10s 5d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at $5/5$ oz (1597 oz).

29th September 1778 LLC 13a

The Court was called to take into further consideration the report of the Gentlemen who have lately visited the Company's works in the North and Derbyshire.

Resolved that Thomas Friend's salary be increased from £30 to £40 per annum.

Resolved that Joshua Watson be appointed assistant to his father Anthony Wayson at the salary of £10 per annum.

Resolved that Joseph Hall be appointed agent at Egglestone Mill at a salary of £15 per annum.

Resolved that Robert Waugh be appointed assistant to Thomas White at the salary of £20 per annum.

Resolved that William Johnson agent at Whitfield mill his salary to be increased from £25 to £30 per annum.

Resolved that Robert Percival appointed Agent to all the Company's mines on Alston Moor at the Salary of £80 per annum.

Resolved that Robert Stagg be appointed agent to the Company's several mines in Yorkshire and Teesdale at the salary of £40 per annum.

8th October 1778 LLC 13a

Received £467 13s 7d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 1/2 oz (1740 oz 4 pw).

2nd November 1778 LLC 13a

Thomas Dodd was appointed as assistant to the Agent Robert Percival at the salary of £30 per annum to commence from Michaelmas last.

The agents Messrs Percival and Stagg agreeable to the minute of last Court attended, with whom the Court had further conversation with regard to the Company's affairs in the North of England and ordered instructions to be prepared and sent them.

Robert Percival and Robert Stagg took the oaths appointed by the Charter, and took leave of the Court in order to return home.

5th November 1778 LLC 13a

Received £660 17s 4d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 oz (2478 oz 4 pw).

10th December 1778 LLC 13a

Received £525 19s 9d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/2 1/2 oz (2019 oz 16 pw).

31st December 1778 LLC 13a

Received £310 17s 8d for 25 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/2 1/2 oz (1193 oz 4 pw).

1st January 1779 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 12 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor
Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Samuel Athawes	Mr Richard Chester
Thomas Cogan Esq	Mr Robert Harris Cooper
Mr John Crellius	Thomas Emlyn Esq
Mr John Masterman	Mr Daniel Mildred
Mr Charles Mills	Mr Edwin Sandys
Mr Peter Stapel	Mr Thomas Weston junr

24th January 1779 LLC 13a

Received £607 6s 4d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/2 1/2 oz (2332 oz 2 pw).

11th February 1779 LLC 13a

Received £624 6s 8d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/2 1/2 oz (2397 oz 8 pw).

11th March 1779 LLC 13a

Received £382 0s 4d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/3 oz (1455 oz 6 pw).

1st April 1779 LLC 13a

Joseph Lancaster & Co bought 300 tons of lead at Gadlis £11 10s ton.

8th April 1779 LLC 38
Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

8th April 1779 LLC 13a

Received £315 14s 11d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/3 oz (1202 oz 16 pw).

22nd April 1779 LLC 13a

Sold 100 tons of lead at Gadlis to J. Lancaster & Co at £11 10s ton.

6th May 1779 LLC13a

The Court taking into consideration the state of the Company's White Lead Works, and having been informed by the committee appointed for that business, as well as from the state of the accounts for several years past by which it appears to be an unprofitable work and likely to continue so, the Court therefore come to the following resolution.

Resolved that endeavours to be used to dispose of or let the same on the best terms that can be obtained, for which purpose advertisements be inserted in the Newspapers and notices put up at the premises, and that in the meantime nothing more to be done their than to work up what lead or dust is on the premises into White lead fit for sale.

13th May 1779 LLC 13a

£24 17s 6d paid to Coulson Skottowe in full for Duty ore at Shildon &c. mines to the 31st December last.

20th May 1779 LLC 13a

The Court was called to take into consideration the accounts lately received from Mr Thomas Hall.

A letter was sent to Robert Percival to stop all workings in the following mines, Quarryhill, Goodhamgill Moss, Brighillburn, Galligillsike, Thortergill, East Flakebridge, West Flakebridge, Skeers, Stoneygillhead, Cocklake, Standers and Elsatory.

10th June 1779 LLC 13a

Received £362 7s 8d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/23/4 oz (1386 oz).

8th July 1779 LLC 13a

Received £705 6s 1d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/31/4 oz (2676 oz 6 pw).

15th July 1779 LLC 13a

The security bond of £1,000 given for the faithful discharge of his duty was returned to Mr Thomas Ward the Company's late cashier and accountant at Gadlis.

5th August 1779 LLC 13a

Messrs Freeman & Preston bought 8000 pieces of lead at £12 5s Newcastle fother.

12th August 1779 LLC 13a

Received £932 9s 5d for 8 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/31/2 oz (3524 oz 6 pw).

19th August 1779 LLC 13a

Mr Samuel Enderby attended the Court and purchased on behalf of himself and others the Company's White lead, about 120 tons at £20 per ton payable in 12 months from the 29th September next.

9th September 1779 LLC 13a

Received £621 16s 8d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 1/4 oz (2322 oz 16 pw).

16th September 1779 LLC 13a

J. Lancaster & Co purchased 200 tons of Gadlis lead at £11 10s ton.

Messrs Beaufoy, Biddle and Beaufoy, agreed to purchase the whole of the Company's stock of vinegar at the White lead works at 9/- per barrel of 34 gallons Beer measure, and the Butts containing vinegar at 14/- each.

7th October 1779 LLC 13a

Received £1347 6s 11d for 47 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/3 oz (5132 oz 14 pw).

21st October 1779 LLC 13a

J. Lancaster & Co purchased all the lead at Newcastle that shall come down this year not exceeding 10000 pieces at £12 2s 6d per Newcastle fother.

25th November 1779 LLC 13a

Received £962 17s 2d for 16 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/3 1/2 oz (3639 oz 2 pw).

4th January 1780 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor

Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Samuel Athawes

Thomas Cogan Esq

Mr Robert Harris Cooper

Mr John Crellius

Mr John Masterman

Mr John Miers

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Peter Stapel

Mr Thomas Weston junr

13th January 1780 LLC 13a

Received £1437 3s 5d for 13 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman. (5474 oz 18 pw based on 5/3 oz).

20th January 1780 LLC 13a

Received £245 16s 10d for 16 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/3 oz (936 oz 10 pw).

17th February 1780 LLC 13a

Received £706 2s 9d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/3 oz (2690 oz).

30th March 1780 LLC 13a

Received £349 5s 8d for 3 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/3 1/4 oz (1325 oz 6 pw).

6th April 1780 LLC 38
Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

27th April 1780 LLC 13a

J. Lancaster & Co agreed to take any quantity not exceeding 10000 pieces of lead at £12 2s 6d Newcastle fother at Newcastle.

His Grace the Duke of Atholl came to the Court and entered into an agreement for all his mines in the Isle of Man for which a rough draught of a lease is to be prepared by the Duke and be submitted to the Court for their inspection and consideration.

11th May 1780 LLC 13a

Received £647 12s 3d for 15 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/6 oz (2355 oz).

£20 9s 9d paid to Coulson Skottowe in full for Duty ore at Shildon &c. mines to the 31st December last.

2nd May 1780 LLC 13a

£33 15s 7d paid to Coulson Skottowe in full for duty ore at Shildon &C. mines to the 31st December last.

The last Court having agreed with the Duke of Atholl for all his mines in the Isle of Man on the following terms.

To pay for the remainder of the lease as agreed for by Mr Robert Haywood, including the ore at Castleton £1,200.

The creditors one sixteenth of ore for the unexpired term or to agree with them if the Court think proper. The works not to be unwrought for more than 13 weeks.

To pay yearly rent of £5.

A lease for 36 years at one eighth Duty to commence 1st May 1780.

The price of ore to be fixed and to rise and fall in proportion to lead at Chester market. This with respect to the Dukes Duty, the account to be settled by the Company's agent, and the Dukes, and the money paid in London twice a year or elsewhere if his Grace desires it.

The sixty ounces of silver per ton of ore not to be upon any one parcel of ore raised but upon the ore in general.

Ten men to be employed for the first two years and thirty afterwards.

(Mr Taylor was to be the Company's agent on the Isle of Man)

8th June 1780 LLC 13a

Received £742 6s 5d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/5 oz (2740 oz 18 pw).

6th July 1780 LLC 13a

Received £1052 15s 6d for 9 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/31/2 oz (3979 oz).

20th July 1780 LLC 13a

Received £356 11s 9d for 12 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/41/4 oz (1332 oz).

27th July 1780 LLC 13a

Mr Skinner (auctioneer) attended the Court and acquainted them that he had sold the Company's freehold estate at Limehousehole by auction at Garraway's Coffee House the 20th instant in two lots.

Lot 1. That part occupied by the Company, to Mr Dawes for	£1,220
Lot 2. That part on lease to John Tucker Esq, to Mr Hale for	<u>£1,300</u>
	£2,520

3rd August 1780 LLC 13a

Affixed the Company seal to counterpart of a lease from the Duke of Atholl of all his mines in the Isle and Calf of Man for 36 years from 4th July 1780 at the farm or Duty for the first 5 years of said lease three sixteenth in lead ore and other minerals and for the remaining term of 31 years at one eighth Duty in lead ore and other minerals. £1,200 was paid to his Grace.

10th August 1780 LLC 13a

Received £1063 9s 7d for 9 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/43/4 oz (3941 oz 18 pw).

14th September 1780 LLC 13a

Received £462 15s 2d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/51/2 oz (1695 oz 12 pw).

12th October 1780 LLC 13a

Received £574 10s 10d for 2 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/5 oz (2121 oz 8 pw).

26th October 1780 LLC 13a

Received £191 0s 8d for 2 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/5 oz (705 oz 8 pw).

9th November 1780 LLC 13a

Received £828 3s 7d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/5 oz (3057 oz 18 pw).

23rd November 1780 LLC 13a

Matthew Johnson was appointed as mill agent at Whitfield Mill at the salary of £30 per annum following the death of William Johnson, with the same house and privileges that his father was allowed by the Company.

7th December 1780 LLC 13a

Received £464 13s 6d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/53/4 oz (1696 oz 4 pw).

2nd January 1781 LLC 38

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor	
Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor	
Assistants	
Mr Richard Chester	Mr Robert Harris Cooper
Mr Francis Cooper	Mr John Crellius
Mr John Masterman	Mr Daniel Mildred
Mr Charles Mills	Mr Edwin Sandys
Mr Peter Stapel	Mr Thomas Weston junr

11th January 1781 LLC 13a

Received £1089 10s 8d for 10 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/61/2 oz (3932 oz 4 pw).

22nd February 1781 LLC 13a

Sale of Lot 1 at Limehouse to Mr Dawes was made void and his deposit returned as the Company could not agree to the insertion of "An exclusive and beneficial right to low water mark" in the condition of sale, which he required.

8th March 1781 LLC 13a

Received £554 13s 1d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/5³/₄ oz (2024 oz 12 pw).

5th April 1781 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

5th April 1781 LLC 13a

Received £544 14s 9d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7³/₄ oz (1929 oz 14 pw).

12th April 1781 LLC 13a

Joseph Lancaster & Co bought 2000 pieces of refined lead. 1000 at £14 5s the other 1000 at £14 10s Newcastle fother.

Messrs Freeman & Co bought 1000 pieces of refined lead at £14 10s and 200 pieces of slag lead at £14 5s Newcastle fother.

19th April 1781 LLC 13a

Received £347 9s 3d for 3 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7³/₄ oz (1230 oz 18 pw).

26th April 1781 LLC 13a

Thomas Preston bought 500 pieces of refined lead at £14 10s Newcastle fother.

10th May 1781 LLC 13a

Received £821 8s 11d for 8 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/7³/₄ oz (2909 oz 18 pw).

John Ellill & Co bought 2000 pieces of refined lead at £14 10s Newcastle fother.

Thomas Preston bought 500 pieces of refined lead at £14 10s Newcastle fother.

Read over the lease from the Company to Richard Hanks of a house and premises at Limehousehole in the Hamlet of Poplar Parish of Stepney and County of Middlesex for 21 years determinable at 7 or 14 years at the option of the tenant on giving 6 months notice said lease to commence at Ladyday last at the net rent of £65 per annum. And the Company's seal affixed.

17th May 1781 LLC 13a

Sold Messrs Lancaster, Bax, & Ellill 3000 pieces of refined lead at £14 10s Newcastle fother.

Sold Samuel Flower Freeman & Co 1500 pieces of refined lead at £14 10s Newcastle fother.

Also 25 tons of lead deliverable at Gadlis at £13 15s per ton.

Sold Thomas Preston 1500 pieces of refined lead at £14 10s Newcastle fother. Also sold him 25 tons of lead deliverable at Gadlis at £13 15s ton.

7th June 1781 LLC 13a

Received £626 3s 11d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (2210 oz 2 pw).

28th June 1781 LLC 13a

Sold J. Lancaster & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £14 17s 6d Newcastle fother and 500 pieces of slag lead. Also 100 tons of lead at Gadlis at £14 ton.

5th July 1781 LLC 13a

Received £926 9s 9d for 8 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (3270 oz).

Sold Messrs Freeman & Co	1000	pieces of refined lead	£14 17s 6d
	200	pieces of Slag lead	£14 12s 6d
Sold Mr T. Preston	1000	pieces of refined lead	£14 17s 6d
	200	Pieces of slag lead	£14 12s 6d
		Newcastle fother	

26th July 1781 LLC 13a

Received £242 0s 6d for 2 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (854 oz 4 pw).

9th August 1781 LLC 13a

Received £1111 19s 8d for 9 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (3924 oz 12 pw).

Read and affixed the Company seal to the following leases from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital to this Company of mines and veins of lead ore on Alston Moor in the County of Cumberland dated 20th May 1780 for 21 years from the several times as hereunder specified at one fifth of duty ore.

Goodamgill Moss	1 May 1773
Gallygill Syke	10 September 1774
Middlecleugh 2nd Sun vein East End	19 April 1775
Dowgang	8 November 1777
Rampgill and Redgroves	8 November 1777
Briggallburn	8 November 1777
Scaleburn Moss	8 November 1777
Shawfoot Sun vein	8 November 1777
Shawfoot	8 November 1777
PeatStack Hill	8 November 1777
Rampgill Rakehead Sun vein	11 June 1778
Shawfoot Cross vein	12 September 1778

The Company obtained a lease from William Ord dated 12th October 1781 of Lead mines in the Manors of Whitfield, Ouston, and East Coanwood in the County of Northumberland at one seventh duty. Another lease of mines in Whitfield dated 15th February 1803, for 21 years from 11th November 1802 at 1/5th duty to William Jobling and George Moor, suggests that the Gov & Co did not renew their lease(NRO 324/W2/2)

30th August 1781 LLC 13a

Sold Messrs Freeman & Co	1000	pieces of refined lead	£15 10s 0d
	100	pieces of Slag lead	£15 5s 0d
Sold Mr T. Preston	1000	pieces of refined lead	£15 10s 0d
	100	Pieces of slag lead	£15 5s 0d
Sold Lancaster & Co	2000	pieces of refined lead	£15 10s 0d
	200	Pieces of slag lead	£15 5s 0d
		Newcastle fother	

6th September 1781 LLC 13a

Received £759 2s 3d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 1/4 oz (2669 oz 8 pw).

4th October 1781 LLC 13a

Received £699 5s 9d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/10 oz (2397 oz 12 pw).

11th October 1781 LLC 13a

Sold Messrs Freeman & Co	1000	pieces of refined lead	£16 0s 0d
	150	pieces of Slag lead	£15 15s 0d
Sold Mr T. Preston	1000	pieces of refined lead	£16 0s 0d
	150	pieces of slag lead	£15 15s 0d
Sold Lancaster & Co	2000	pieces of refined lead	£16 0s 0d
	300	Pieces of slag lead	£15 15s 0d
		Newcastle fother	

25th October 1781 LLC 13a

Received £428 4s 2d for 9 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/10 oz (1468 oz 2 pw).

1st November 1781 LLC 13a

Resolved that Joseph Hall appointed Agent at Nenthead Mill at a salary of £35 per annum to commence from the time of James Mulcaster's quitting the Company service.

Resolved whereas Joseph Hall being appointed to the agency of Nenthead mill Robert Stagg is appointed with Barnes's assistance to the care of Egglestone Mill and also to assist Joseph Walton in the inspection of the Company's mines in Derwent at his present salary of £40 per annum.

The Court on application from William Ord Esq. about subscribing to a new road from Hexham to Alston in Cumberland.

Resolved that the Company subscribe £250 on same terms other gentlemen have subscribed on the same to be paid by Thomas Hall the Company cashier at Alston.

8th November 1781 LLC 13a

Thomas Dodd salary as assistant to Robert Percival was advanced from £30 to £40 per annum. Henry Fleck salary as Agent at Blaydon was advanced from £25 to £30 per annum.

Sold Lancaster & Co	2000	pieces of refined lead	£16 10s 0d
	100	pieces of slag lead	£16 5s 0d
Sold Messrs Freeman & Co	1000	pieces of refined lead	£16 10s 0d
Sold Mr T. Preston	1000	pieces of refined lead	£16 10s 0d
		Newcastle fother	

22nd November 1781 LLC 13a

Sold Messrs Freeman & Co	500	pieces of refined lead	£17 0s 0d
	125	pieces of Slag lead	£16 15s 0d
Sold Mr T. Preston	500	pieces of refined lead	£17 0s 0d
	125	pieces of slag lead	£16 15s 0d
		Newcastle fother	

29th November 1781 LLC 13a

Bought 30 Exchequer Bills at £100 each total invested £3,000

6th December 1781 LLC 13a

Received £793 3s 3d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/9 3/4 oz (2729 oz 4 pw).

John Taylor resident agent for the Company's mines and works in the Isle of Man attended the Court in the forenoon and took the oaths appointed by the Charter and delivered a report of the

state of the Company's affairs there, and this Court had a further conversation with him respecting the Company's affairs and also as to arrears in Derbyshire. The Company had purchased 3 Navy Bills and 29 Exchequer Bills to the value of £2,835 0s 9d.

31st December 1781 LLC 38

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

James Mathias Esq. Governor
Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor
Assistants

Samuel Athawes Esq	Mr Richard Chester
Thomas Cogan	Mr Robert Harris Cooper
Mr Francis Cooper	Mr John Crellius
Mr John Masterman	Mr Daniel Mildred
Mr Edwin Sandys	Mr Peter Stapel

10th January 1782 LLC 13a

Received £807 4s 2d for 8 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/9³/₄ oz (2777 oz 10 pw).

17th January 1782 LLC 13a

Thomas How Masterman signed the Affirmation in lieu of the oath and was admitted as a member of the corporation.

24th January 1782 LLC 13a

Received £387 19s 2d for 4 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/9¹/₂ oz (1339 oz 14 pw).

14th February 1782 LLC 13a

Received £871 2s 6d for 8 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/9¹/₂ oz (3008 oz 4 pw).

14th March 1782 LLC 13a

Received £387 19s 2d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/9³/₄ oz (1334 oz 18 pw).

28th March 1782 LLC 38

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

28th March 1782 LLC 13a

Mr Samuel Freeman and Thomas Preston bought 2266 pieces of lead in equal parts refined at £17 and slag at £16 15s Newcastle fother.

11th April 1782 LLC 13a

J. Lancaster & Co bought 10000 pieces of refined lead. For every 1000 pieces that shall come down to Blaydon they were to have 500 pieces thereof at £17 per Newcastle fother, and if any slag to be at £16 15s per said fother.

18th April 1782 LLC 13a

Messrs Freeman & Preston bought 10000 pieces of refined lead. For every 1000 pieces that shall come down to Blaydon they were to have 500 pieces thereof at £17 per Newcastle fother, and if any slag to be at £16 15s per said fother.

30th April 1782 LLC 13a

Bought Navy Victualling Bills to the value of £5,070 17s 1d.

9th May 1782 LLC 13a

Received £806 14s 9d for silver sold to Mr John Masterman (2806 oz based on 5/9 oz).

Resolved that a gratuity of £70 be allowed William Smith for extra expenses to Christmas last and that he draw on the Company for the same.

Resolved that William Smith be allowed £30 per annum from Christmas last for treating customers and others on the Company's business.

13th June 1782 LLC 13a

Sold to J. Lancaster & Co 450 tons if the company agent has not sold 100 tons should that be the case then 350 tons or all that may be remaining at £16 per Gadlis ton.

20th June 1782 LLC 13a

John Ellill & Co bought 50 tons of lead at £16 Gadlis ton.

27th June 1782 LLC 13a

The Court were informed of the death of Anthony Watson the Company's agent at Acton Mills. Appointed Joshua Watson on the same salary and allowance as his father. His old salary of £10 as assistant to his father to stop at Midsummer last from when his new appointment was to commence.

4th July 1782 LLC 38

A Court for Electing a Governor of the Corporation for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Seacoal for the remainder of the present year in the room of James Mathias deceased.

Mr Jacob Hagen was unanimously elected Governor for the remainder of the present year.

4th July 1782 LLC 13a

Read over and compared a lease and counterpart from the trustees of Lord Crewe of lands called or known by the name of Beldon or Castle Bury Veins lying and being within and under such part or parts of the ancient inclosed ground which was enclosed before the month of October 1709, and also that part of the Manor or Lordship of Nookton in the County of Durham, 1200 yards in length from Beldon Burn and sixty yards in Breadth on each side of the vein and other lands therein mentioned for 21 years at a seventh duty. (lease dated 14th October 1782 from the 1st May 1781 Company seal affixed 13 March 1783)

18th July 1782 LLC 38

A Court for Electing a Deputy Governor of the Corporation for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Seacoal for the remainder of the present year in the room of Mr Jacob Hagen chosen Governor.

Mr John Crellius was unanimously elected Deputy Governor for the remainder of the present year.

11th July 1782 LLC 13a

Received £647 12s 1d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/81/4 oz (2277 oz 6 pw).

25th July 1782 LLC 13a

Received £149 19s 9d for 3 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/83/4 oz (523 oz 12 pw).

8th August 1782 LLC 13a

Read over and fixed the Company seal to the following leases from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital of mines and veins of lead ore on Alston Moor in the County of Cumberland dated 23 March 1782 for twenty one years from the several times as hereunder specified at one fifth duty ore.

Middlecleugh Second Sun vein West End	from 9 July 1779
Middlecleugh Second Sun vein East End	from 13 July 1779
Longholehead Sun vein	from 30 July 1779
Browngill	from 30 July 1779
Thortergill	from 30 July 1779
Thortergill Sun vein	from 30 July 1779
Kilhope Head	from 30 July 1779
Capelcleugh North vein East End	from 14 June 1781
Middlecleugh Trunk vein	from 14 June 1781

15th August 1782 LLC 13a

Received £707 6s 2d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/91/2 oz (2442 oz 10 pw).

29th August 1782 LLC 13a

The Court taking into consideration the faithful and diligent service of Robert Staggs their agent at their mines and mills in Yorkshire.

Resolved that his salary be advanced from £40 to £50 per annum to commence from Midsummer last.

5th September 1782 LLC 13a

Received £523 14s 0d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/93/4 oz (1802 oz).

3rd October 1782 LLC 13a

Received £457 15s 11d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/101/2 oz (1558 oz 10 pw).

17th October 1782 LLC 13a

Received £268 16s 8d for 5 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/101/4 oz (918 oz 8 pw).

14th November 1782 LLC 13a

Received £709 19s 5d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 6/01/4 oz (2358 oz 8 pw).

21st November 1782 LLC 13a

J. Lancaster & Co bought 150 tons of lead at £17 Gadlis ton.

30th December 1782 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor
Mr John Crellius Deputy Governor

Assistants

Samuel Athawes Esq
Thomas Cogan Esq
Mr Francis Cooper
Mr Daniel Mildred
Mr Edwin Sandrys

Mr Richard Chester
Mr Robert Harris Cooper
Mr John Masterman
Mr Charles Mills
Mr Thomas Weston junr

30th December 1782 LLC 13a

Affixed the Company seal to a lease and counterpart from John Ord and others to this Company of a lead mine called Sinbank in the Manor of Hunstanworth in County Durham for 21 years from 30 October 1782 at one sixth duty in ore.

9th January 1783 LLC 13a

Received £755 18s 6d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/10 oz (2591 oz 14 pw).

Sold to J. Lancaster & Co 1500 pieces of lead at £19 Newcastle fother.

Sold to Freeman & Preston 1500 pieces of lead at £19 Newcastle fother.

16th January 1783 LLC 13a

Purchased £5,000 of Exchequer Bills.

6th February 1783 LLC 13a

£809 17s 0d for 10 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (2858 oz 6 pw).

13th February 1783 LLC 13a

Received £561 9s 1d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 1/4 oz (1974 oz 6 pw).

20th March 1783 LLC 13a

David Roberts Esq attended the Court and entered into an agreement with this Company for all the mineral grounds in his lands at Kimmel in the County of Flint on the following terms. At the farm of 32/6 per ton of lead ore and for a lease of 21 years with the usual mining covenants and a draft to be prepared accordingly.

3rd April 1783 LLC 38

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

3rd April 1783 LLC 13a

Received £325 10s 6d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/11 1/4 oz (1096 oz 10 pw).

24th April 1783 LLC 13a

Received £246 19s 10d for 5 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/9 oz (859 oz 2 pw).

29th May 1783 LLC 13a

Thomas Preston bought 300 tons of lead at £17 5s Gadlis ton.

12th June 1783 LLC 13a

Received £422 15s 0d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/10 1/4 oz (1444 oz 6 pw).

19th June 1783 LLC 13a

Affixed the Company seal to the lease from David Roberts Esq to this Company of mines in the County of Denbigh and Flint for 21 years at 32/6 per ton of lead ore and 20/- per ton of Calamine and Cawke and one eighth part of copper and other minerals.

3rd July 1783 LLC 13a

Received £862 15s 9d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/10 1/4 oz (2947 oz 6 pw).

24th July 1783 LLC 13a

Received £224 15s 4d for 4 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/9 3/4 oz (773 oz 8 pw).

7th August 1783 LLC 13a

J. Lancaster bought 300 tons lead at £16 15s per Gadlis ton.
Raised £4,147 2s 7d from selling some of their Navy Victualling Bills.

14th August 1783 LLC 13a

Raised £4,322 8s from selling some of their Navy Victualling Bills.

21st August 1783 LLC 13a

Received £858 15s 11d for 8 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (3031 oz).
Affixed the Company seal to a lease from Sir William Stanley of mines in the Township of Trelogan and Parish of Llanhasa in the County of Flint for 21 years from 31st July 1783 at Farm of 30/- per ton lead ore, 20/- per ton of Calamine and copper ore.

11th September 1783 LLC 13a

Received £595 6s 3d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (2101 oz 2 pw).

9th October 1783 LLC 13a

Received £563 8s 3d for 7 cakes of North & Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/6 1/4 oz (2041 oz).

16th October 1783 LLC 13a

Sold Thomas Preston 150 tons lead at £16 15s 0d per Gadlis ton.

6th November 1783 LLC 13a

Sold J. Lancaster & Co 10000 pieces of refined lead at £17 5s and 750 pieces of slag lead at £16 15s Newcastle fother.
Borrowed £4,000 from Messrs Barclay & Co. the Company Bankers.

13th November 1783 LLC 13a

Received £623 16s 2d for 8 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/8 oz (2193 oz 6 pw).

Sold Messrs Freeman & Co	5000	pieces of refined lead	£17 5s 0d
	375	pieces of Slag lead	£16 15s 0d
Sold Mr T. Preston	5000	pieces of refined lead	£17 5s 0d
	375	pieces of slag lead	£16 15s 0d
		Newcastle fother	

18th December 1783 LLC 13a

Received £652 10s 5d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/63/4 oz (2346 oz 2 pw).

24th December 1783 LLC 13a

Sold Messrs Lancaster & Co	2000	pieces of refined lead	£17 5s 0d
Sold Messrs Freeman & Co	1000	pieces of refined lead	£17 5s 0d
Sold Mr T. Preston	1000	pieces of refined lead	£17 5s 0d
and slag lead at £16 15s 0d Newcastle fother			

29th December 1783 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor	
Mr John Crellius Deputy Governor	
Assistants	
Mr Richard Chester	Thomas Cogan Esq
Mr Robert Harris Cooper	Mr Francis Cooper
Mr Jacob Hagen junr	Mr John Masterman
Mr Charles Mills	Mr Edwin Sandys
Mr Peter Staples	Mr Thomas Weston junr

8th January 1784 LLC 13a

Received £556 15s 3d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/6 oz (2024 oz 12 pw).

5th February 1784 LLC 13a

Received £325 8s 11d for 6 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/51/4 oz (1197 oz).

19th February 1784 LLC 13a

Received £680 16s 11d for 8 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/51/2 oz (2494 oz 14 pw).

26th March 1784 LLC 13a

This Court was called to take into consideration the state of the Company's affairs in the North and came to the following Resolutions.

Resolved that Robert Percival the Company agent in Alston Moor, not having conducted the Company's affairs to their satisfaction be discharged and a letter was wrote to him in consequence thereof.

Also that Thomas Hall be directed to pay Robert Percival forty pounds as a gratuity over and above what may have been due to him for past salaries on this his dismissal from the Company's service.

8th April 1784 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

29th April 1784 LLC 13a

Received £455 8s 1d for 9 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/33/4 oz (1714 oz 10 pw).

13th May 1784 LLC 13a

Received £698 16s 0d for 9 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/31/2 oz (2641 oz 2 pw).

Sold to J. Lancaster & Co 20000 pieces of refined lead at £16 15s Newcastle fother with the proportionate quantity of slag at £16 10s to be added to the aforesaid 20000 pieces.

10th June 1784 LLC 13a

Received £620 10s 2d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/51/4 oz (2282 oz 6 pw).

8th July 1784 LLC 13a

Received £652 2s 8d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/31/4 oz (2474 oz 5 pw).

20th July 1784 LLC 13a

Read over and considered several letters the Court had received from their agents Thomas Hall and Robert Stagg and some other persons, since the dismissal of Robert Percival, and directed the secretary to draw up a letter to Thomas Hall for him to send up as soon as he can the quantity of ore which was on the bank at each mine and also at each mill, and also the lead there at the making of the Midsummer Bargains, and further that he would let the Court know his real sentiments what quantity of ore may probably be raised more this year, all this exclusive of Bought ore.

28th July 1784 LLC 13a

Received £239 10s 10d for 6 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/41/4 oz (894 oz 16 pw).

19th August 1784 LLC 13a

Received £989 4s 7d for 9 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/41/2 oz (3680 oz 18 pw).

26th August 1784 LLC 13a

Resolved that Thomas Hall their Cashier and Chief Agent in the North do attend the Court on this day fortnight, being the 9th September next and that Thomas Dodd their mining agent in Alston Moor do attend the Court at the same time, in order that the Court may be informed of the true state of their affairs in those parts.

2nd September 1784 LLC 13a

J. Lancaster & Co bought all the lead that shall come down to Blaydon before Christmas next at £16 10s Newcastle fother for refined and £16 5s for the slag.

9th September 1784 LLC 13a

Thomas Hall and Thomas Dodd attended the Court.

The probate of the will with a codicil of Coulson Skottowe late of Chesham in the County of Bucks deceased, under the seal of the prerogative court of Canterbury bearing date the 15th May 1784, appointing Nicholas Skottowe Esq one of the Executors named in the said will, was exhibited and allowed.

Power reserved of making the like grant to Ann Skottowe widow, the relict &c. other executrix, when she shall apply the same.

10th September 1784 LLC 13a

Thomas Hall cashier and chief agent in the North and Thomas Dodd their mining agent in Alston Moor attended the Court.

The following resolutions were made.

That no agent be permitted to deal in any commodity made use of by the miners or smelters, nor that they be permitted to be concerned underhandedly with any person who shall deal in such goods, nor be concerned in Whimseys or letting horses to draw wagons, or wood, or anything of that kind for the Company; and if the salaries we now pay are not sufficient the Company to allow them what is equivalent.

That the monthly advance money and also what becomes due to them be paid to themselves and no other person, in money and not in any kind of Bank notes nor any trades people attend pay.

That the ore from the Company's mines and from each mine be kept in separate Bingsteads at the several mills and also Bought ore likewise separate from them.

That the ore of each year be smelted before the ore of the succeeding year be begun upon.

Thomas Dodd to inspect the workmen employed at the mines on Alston Moor and to see that they work their Bargains and ground fairly according to the Bargains let them.

Upon the above alterations being carried into effect the salaries of the agents to be considered and concluded.

16th September 1784 LLC 13a

Received £392 1s 7d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/3 1/2 oz (1481 oz 18 pw).

30th September 1784 LLC 13a

J. Lancaster & Co bought 300 tons of lead at £15 15s per Gadlis ton.

14th October 1784 LLC 13a

Received £405 3s 3d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/23/4 oz (1549 oz 12 pw).

28th October 1784 LLC 13a

Following the inspection of the mines in the North by Mr. Robert Harris Cooper, a letter was sent to Thomas Hall desiring his opinion of the Company keeping horses to supply the Whimseys as a great abuses appear to have been practiced therein.

4th November 1784 LLC 13a

Received £294 16s 4d for 6 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/3 oz (1123 oz 2 pw).

25th November 1784 LLC 13a

Read and affixed the Company seal to the following leases for mines and veins let on Alston Moor for a period of 21 years from the dates specified at one fifth duty ore.

Browngill Sun vein	from 14 June 1781
Spency Croft	from 15 June 1783
Spency Croft Cross vein	from 26 September 1783
Spency Croft East vein	from 26 September 1783

2nd December 1784 LLC 13a

Received £553 4s 4d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/3 oz (2107 oz 10 pw).

23rd December 1784 LLC 13a

Received £763 16s 8d for 8 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/3 oz (2909 oz 16 pw).

31st December 1784 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

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Thomas Cogan Esq

Mr Francis Cooper

Mr Jacob Hagen junr

Benjamin Lutkens Esq

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Charles Mills

Peter Stapel Esq

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Thomas Weston junr

27th January 1785 LLC 13a

J. Lancaster & Co bought all the companies lead that shall come down to Blaydon to the 31st March next at £16 5s refined and £16 slag per Newcastle fother.

3rd February 1785 LLC 13a

Received £631 1s 0d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/21/2 oz (2423 oz 4 pw).

17th February 1785 LLC 13a

Received £422 15s 6d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/13/4 oz (1643 oz 24pw).

J. Lancaster & Co bought at Stockton 4000 pieces of lead at £16 10s Stockton fother.

24th March 1785 LLC 13a

Received £256 16s 7d for 3 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/21/4 oz (990 oz 4 pw).

31st March 1785 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

14th April 1785 LLC 13a

Received £325 3s 0d for 4 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/2 oz (1258 oz 12 pw).

5th May 1785 LLC 13a

The Court was called to take into consideration the Company's affairs in the North and having read the letters from sundry agents there and examined the quantity of ore and lead remaining at the mines and mills a letter was wrote to Thomas Hall their principle agent to know whether the quantity of ore remaining can be smelted and the lead sent down this year by the mills at present in the Company's occupation.

Ordered that an account be taken of the loss and gain of every mine in the North now in working from the 1st January 1770 to the 31st December 1784.

12th May 1785 LLC 13a

Received £638 14s 2d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/23/4 oz (2442 oz 18 pw).

J. Lancaster & Co bought 20000 pieces of lead at £15 17s 6d Newcastle fother refined and £15 12s 6d for slag lead.

19th May 1785 LLC 13a

Messrs Freeman & Preston bought 10000 pieces of lead at £15 17s 6d Newcastle fother refined and £15 12s 6d for the slag.

16th June 1785 LLC 13a

Received £680 11s 4d for 6 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/21/4 oz (2623 oz 18 pw).

Read over a draft of a lease from Lord Darlington to this Company of Manorgill mines in the County of Durham for 231 years from the 20th day of October 1784 at one fifth duty in ore. A letter was wrote to Robert Staggs inclosing the above mentioned draft with the Courts remarks thereon.

14th July 1785 LLC 13a

Received £861 15s 11d for 8 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/21/2 oz (3309 oz 6 pw).

Read over a lease from John Skottowe Esq to this Company of all his mining liberty's in the Common of Blanchland &c. in the Counties of Northumberland and Durham for 21 years from Midsummer 1786 at one seventh duty in ore.

4th August 1785 LLC 13a

Received £779 12s 3d for 15 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/2 oz (3017 oz 18 pw).

15th August 1785 LLC 13a

Read over the following leases from the Earl of Darlington to this Company of mines and veins of lead ore as under, in the County of Durham for 21 years from the 20th October 1785 at one fifth Duty in ore.

Manorgill veins

Flakebridge vein

Parcel of ground on the East side of Egglesthorpe Beck

Holmhead vein

Also read over two parts of a lease from John Skottowe Esq to this Company of all his mining liberties in the Commons of Blanchland &c. in the Counties of Northumberland and Durham and likewise Acton and Jeffrys Mills for 21 years from the 24th June 1786.

18th August 1785 LLC 13a

Affixed the Company's seal to 4 leases from the Earl of Darlington to this Company, which were read over by the Grand Committee on the 15th instant.

Affixed the Company's seal to a lease in two parts from John Skottowe.

15th September 1785 LLC 13a

Received £952 0s 11d for 9 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/2 oz (3685 oz 6 pw).

Mr Jacob Hagen and Mr Simeon Warner being returned from visiting the Company's works in the North, read over their report. And they having recommended to the Court to appoint Thomas Dodd Chief Mining Agent over all their mines in Alston Moor. The Court having considered and approved the same.

Resolved that Thomas Dodd be appointed Chief Mining Agent in Alston Moor and that he be ordered to attend the Court as soon as he can in order to qualify.

29th September 1785 LLC 13a

Received £383 6s 6d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/13/4 oz (1489 oz 16 pw).

6th October 1785 LLC 13a

This Court was called to take into further consideration the report of the Governor and Mr Warner on their late visit to the Company's works in the North.

The Court came to the following resolutions.

That the Company pays in the North which used to be paid half yearly be in future paid only once every year up to Michaelmas 1785 and so to be continued and that the following instructions be sent to their several agents there.

Resolved that the following regulations be adopted and carried into execution as soon as it can be done consistently.

That the full pays be made once a year at Michaelmas and that no one be paid for but what is washed and weighed up, and none sent but with printed tickets of the quantity from the mine to the mill.

That no agent be permitted to deal in any commodity made use of by the miners or smelters, nor that they be permitted to be concerned underhandedly with any person who shall deal in such goods, nor be concerned in Whimseys or letting horses to draw wagons, or wood, or anything of that kind for the Company or have any allowance of coals and candles.

That the monthly advance money and also what becomes due to them be paid to themselves and no other person, in money and not in any kind of Bank notes nor any trades people attend pay; nor to any order written or otherwise, except the miner is ill and cannot attend himself.

That the ore from the Company's mines and from each mine be kept in separate Bingsteads at the several mills and also Bought ore likewise separate from them.

That the ore of each year be smelted before the ore of the succeeding year be begun upon.

20th October 1785 LLC 13a

Received £439 9s 4d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/13/4 oz (1708 oz).

27th October 1785 LLC 13a

Thomas Dodd attended the Court and took the oaths appointed by the Charter for the faithful discharge of the trust and office of agent to the Company over their mines and mineral works on Alston Moor in the County of Cumberland, and at the same time delivered to the Court his Bond of security for £500 himself Joseph Watson and Ralph Bainbridge dated the 5th October 1785.

27th October 1785 LLC 13a

Thomas Dodd attended the Court and took the oath. Appointed Agent over the mines and mineral works on Alston Moor, and delivered his bond of security of £500.

3rd November 1785 LLC 13a

Received £190 16s 11d for 4 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/13/4 oz (741 oz 14 pw).

8th December 1785 LLC 13a

Read over a draft of a lease from Timothy Hutchinson of Eggleston Hall, in County Durham, to the Company of all his mines and veins of lead ore on the Common of Eggleston within the Manor of Eggleston in said County of Durham commonly called or known by the name Flakebrigg for 21 years from the 12th November 1785 at one fifth Duty in ore, made some observations there on and wrote letters in consequence thereof to Timothy Hutchinson Esq and Robert Stagg. (*Seal affixed 6th April 1786*)

30th December 1785 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor
Mr John Crellius Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Richard Chester	Thomas Cogan Esq
Mr Robert Harris Cooper	Mr Jacob Hagen junr
Benjamin Lutkens Esq	Mr John Masterman
Mr Daniel Mildred	Mr Charles Mills
Mr Simeon Warner	Mr Thomas Weston junr

9th March 1786 LLC 13a

The Court was called to take into consideration the Company's affairs in the North and having read over the state of their several mines, agreed to the continuance of them excepting Gudamgill Moss which they have determined to quit, unless their agent can let it out to other miners for the Company's profit. And letters were wrote to their agents Thomas Dodd and Robert Staggs accordingly.

16th March 1786 LLC 13a

Purchased £5,000 of Exchequer Bills.

6th April 1786 LLC 38

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

20th April 1786 LLC 13a

The probate of the will of John Masterman of the parish of St Challons Lombard street London but late of Clapham in the county of Surrey appointing James Masterman and Thomas How Masterman his sons and executors was read.

11th May 1786 LLC 13a

The Court was called to take into consideration their concerns in Wales and the Isle of Man and having read and considered many letters received from William Smith and John Taylor a letter was wrote to William Smith with their sentiments on the various matters contained in them.

1st June 1786 LLC 13a

The probate of the will of John Skottowe late of Chesham in the County of Bucks Esq deceased under the seal of prerogative court of Canterbury bearing the date the 20th April 1786 appointing Nicholas Skottowe Esq brother of the said deceased sole executor was exhibited and allowed.

8th June 1786 LLC 13a

Sold J. Lancaster 8000 pieces of lead, Freeman & Co 4000 pieces of lead, Thomas Preston 400 pieces of lead at £16 5s Newcastle fother and slag lead exclusive of the above £16 fother. *(Between 5th January 1786 and 8th June 1786 Thomas How Masterman paid £3747 3s 11d for silver, no other details were given, based on 5/2 oz this would be 14505 oz 6 pw of silver.)*

15th June 1786 LLC 13a

Received £324 4s 3d for 3 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 oz (1215 oz 16 pw).

13th July 1786 LLC 13a

Received £617 2s 8d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Mr Masterman at 5/4 1/4 oz (2305 oz 4 pw).

17th August 1786 LLC 13a

Received £1107 13s 6d for silver sold to Mr Masterman. (at 5/4 oz is 4153 oz 16 pw)

7th September 1786 LLC 13a

Received £757 7s 7d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall at 5/31/2 oz (2862 oz 10 pw).

28th September 1786 LLC 13a

Having taken into consideration the diligence and assiduity manifested by Robert Stagg in the Company's concerns.

Resolved that his salary be £100 per annum to commence from Ladyday last.

19th October 1786 LLC 13a

Received £550 3s 0d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall at 5/3 oz (2095 oz 16 pw).

Sold J. Lancaster & Co 3000 pieces of refined & slag lead,

Sold Freeman & Co 1500 pieces of refined and slag lead

Sold Thomas Preston 1500 pieces of refined and slag lead at £16 15s refined and £16 10s slag per Newcastle fother.

16th November 1786 LLC 13a

The Court was called to take into consideration the conduct of the Company's works in the Isle of Man under their late agent Mr John Taylor and having read all the papers sent by him for his justification.

Resolved to confirm his discharge and letters were accordingly written to Mr Smith and Mr Taylor.

14th December 1786 LLC 13a

Mr William Smith in consequence of the Courts directions, came to London and attended them, with whom they had a conference relating to the Company's affairs in the Isle of Man and Wales.

21st December 1786 LLC 13a

J. Lancaster & Co bought 300 tons of lead at £17 per Gadlis fother.

(Between 16th November 1786 and 21st December 1786 Messrs Masterman & Springall paid £1479 14s 6d for silver, no other details were given, based on 5/31/2 oz this would be 5592 oz 14 pw of silver.)

29th December 1786 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor

Mr John Crellius Deputy Governor

Assistants

Thomas Cogan Esq

Mr Francis Cooper

Benjamin Lutkens Esq

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Robert Harris Cooper

Mr Jacob Hagen junr

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr James Palmer

Mr Thomas Weston junr

25th January 1787 LLC 13a

Mr Richard Hanks agreed to pay £1,200 with all charges of conveyance for the premises now held by him off the Company at Limehouse determinable by their rights only. (Between 4th January 1787 and 25th January 1787 Messrs Masterman & Springall paid £828 8s 9d for silver, no other details were given, based on 5/31/2 oz this would be 3131 oz 2 pw of silver.)

15th February 1787 LLC 13a

Received £400 8s 11d for 5 cakes of North silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall at 5/31/2 oz (1513 oz 10 pw).

15th March 1787 LLC 13a

Received £261 5s 9d for 3 cakes of North silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall at 5/31/2 oz (987 oz 10 pw).

29th March 1787 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

29th March 1787 LLC 14

Read over a draft of a lease from William Myddelton Esq to this Company of a house and premises at Gadlis near Flint for 21 years from the 30th November 1786 at £40 per annum.

5th April 1787 LLC 14

Sold Lancaster & Co 10000 pieces of lead, Freeman & Co 4000 pieces of lead, Thomas Preston 4000 pieces of lead, and Walker & Maltby 3000 pieces of lead, refined at £19 and slag at £18 15s Newcastle fother.

19th April 1787 LLC 14

Received £191 12s 3d for 3 cakes of North silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall at 5/31/2 oz (724 oz 4 pw).

3rd May 1787 LLC 14

Robert Staggs the Company's mining agent in Teesdale having been agreeable to the Courts directions to survey their works in the Isle of Man attended the Court and reported that he found them wrought in a proper manner, as per his report in writing. And at the same time the Court conferred with him on the state of their affairs under his care in Teesdale &c. and made sundry enquiries respecting the Company's mines and mills in the North and recommended to him his particular care and attention thereto.

17th May 1787 LLC 14

Sold Freeman & Co 300 pieces of lead, Thomas Preston 3000 pieces of lead at £20 for refined and £19 15s for slag per Newcastle fother.

24th May 1787 LLC 14

Received £523 1s 7d for 10 cakes of Welsh silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall at 5/31/2 oz (1977 oz).

28th June 1787 LLC 14

Sold Thomas Preston 200 tons and Walker and Maltby 200 tons of lead at Gadlis at £19 ton.

12th July 1787 LLC 14

Received £674 13s 10d for 7 cakes of North silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall at 5/41/2 oz (2510 oz 10 pw).

Lancaster & Co bought 2000 pieces of lead at £20 10s Stockton fother.

26th July 1787 LLC 14

£25 5s 6d to John Storrs of Chesterfield, being the cost of a silver cup, as a gift for his services in constructing Air Furnaces &c. to the benefit of the Company.

2nd August 1787 LLC 14

Received £779 17s 4d for 8 cakes of North silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall at 5/4 oz (2924 oz 10 pw).

30th August 1787 LLC 14

Received £869 7s 2d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

Affixed the Company seal to a lease from William Myddelton Esq to the Company for a house and premises in the Township of Bagilt in the Parish of Holywell for 21 years from the 30th November 1786 at £40 per annum.

27th September 1787 LLC 14

Received £552 5s 10d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

J. Lancaster & Co bought 200 tons of lead at £20 Gadlis ton.

4th October 1787 LLC 14

Mr Ellill bought 10000 pieces of lead at £21 Stockton fother.

18th October 1787 LLC 14

George Slaley was appointed resident agent on the Isle of Man with a salary of £50 per annum from the 29th September 1787.

15th November 1787 LLC 14

The Court decided to purchase £10,000 in Exchequer Bills.

22nd November 1787 LLC 14

Received £787 7s 3d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

J. Lancaster & Co bought 1000 pieces of lead at £21 Stockton fother and 300 tons lead at £21 Gadlis ton.

6th December 1787 LLC 14

Mr Lettney attended the Court on behalf of Lord Crewe's Trustees to exchange the counterpart of a lease (which the Court had agreed to surrender) of Linbank and other mines in the Manor of Nookton &C. dated 14th October 1782, both which were cancelled and the lease delivered to him.

Read over and affixed the Company's seal to the following leases from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital to this Company of mines and veins of lead ore on Alston Moor in the County of Cumberland dated the 30 of July 1787 for 21 years from the several times at one fifth duty in ore.

Carr's South End mine	from 15th September 1780
Middlecleugh First Sun vein	from 17th September 1780
Middlecleugh Second Sun vein	from 17th September 1780
South New Blagill	from 29th January 1787

6th December 1787 p.m. LLC 14

The Court was called to take into consideration Mr Robert Harris Cooper's report on a visitation of the Company's works in the North, which was read, and having particularly attended to the calculations made of the produce from the Air Furnace already erected at Eggleston Mill, against the Blast Hearth, which are very considerable.

Resolved that two Air Furnaces be built at Whitfield Mill and that Mr Storrs be requested to treat with John Cundey to go down and erect them.

A letter was wrote to William Ord Esq of Fenham, requesting the extension of the present lease of Whitfield Mill to 61 years.

31st December 1787 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor

Mr John Crellius Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Richard Chester

Mr Francis Cooper

Benjamin Lutkens Esq

Mr James Palmer

Mr Isaac Warner

Mr Robert Harris Cooper

Mr Jacob Hagen junr

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Thomas Weston junr

3rd January 1788 LLC 14

J. Lancaster & Co bought 200 tons lead delivered at Gadlis at £22 Gadlis ton.

24th January 1788 LLC 14

Received £600 for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

31st January 1788 LLC 14

Received £976 13s 0d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

Mr Maltby bought 200 tons of lead delivered at Gadlis at £22 a Gadlis ton.

27th March 1788 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

3rd April 1788 LLC 14

Sold to Lancaster Bax & Ellill 8000 pieces of lead, Freeman & Co 400 pieces, Thomas Preston 4000 pieces, and Walker & Maltby 4000 pieces, delivered at Newcastle at £23 refined, slag at £22 15s Newcastle fother.

17th April 1788 LLC 14

Received £579 15s 9d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

8th May 1788 LLC 14

Received £390 5s 7d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

Read over and affixed the Company's seal to the following leases from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital to this Company of mines and veins of lead ore on Alston Moor in the County of Cumberland dated the 29 March 1788 for 21 years from the several times at one fifth duty in ore.

Thortergill Cross vein

Smallcleugh Cross vein

from 28 July 1787

from 22 September 1787

Rampgill & Redgroves Sun vein	from 2 February 1788
Middlecleugh	from 1 July 1788
Longholehead	from 1 July 1788
Longcleugh	from 1 July 1788

22nd May 1788 LLC 14

£6,300 paid to the Duke of Northumberland for Thomas Halls Bill.

19th June 1788 LLC 14

Received £463 16s 9d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

17th July 1788 LLC 14

Received £426 5s 11d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

24th July 1788 LLC 14

Received £593 12s 3d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

31st July 1788 LLC 14

Mr Robert Stagg the Company's agent in the North had agreeable to the Courts orders been and viewed the mines near Cowbridge in Glamorganshire, a report of which he delivered in writing to the Court and in consequence of his attention thereto, the Court resolved that a gratuity of 20 guineas should be paid him by the secretary over and above any charges of the journey he may be subjected to till his return to Middleton.

14th August 1788 LLC 14

Received £615 1s 7d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

19th September 1788 LLC 14

The Court was called to take into further consideration the complaints made by John Taylor (clerk to William Smith) against William Smith, to which the Court having fully attended, on a separate and joint hearing of each party. (both parties attended the Court of Tuesday 16th September 1788 when the complaints were discussed)

Resolved unanimously.

That several of the allegations brought by John Jones against William Smith having been substantiated in William Smiths presence, that very considerable loses appear to have been sustained by the Governor and Company thereby.

Resolved that John Jones having rendered service to this Company the secretary be ordered to present him with 10 guineas over and above his expenses and the assurance of the Courts protection and countenance, while he shall continue to deserve it.

Resolved unanimously.

That it is the opinion of this Court that Two or more Gentlemen of the Court be requested to take a journey into Wales for the purpose of investigating the several charges brought against William Smith and the other concerns of the Company in those parts.

9th October 1788 LLC 14

J. Lancaster & Co bought 150 tons lead at £21 10s ton at Gadlis and 3000 pieces of lead at Stockton at £22 10s Stockton fother.

16th October 1788 LLC 14

Received £1094 12s 0d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

6th November 1788 LLC 14

£10,000 of Navy Bills were to be purchased.

11 December 1788 LLC 14

The Court having taken into consideration the Experimental operations by Robert Stagg of the Air Furnace in competition with the Blast Hearth are of opinion that it will be for the interest of this Company to make use of Air Furnaces.

Resolved that Air Furnaces be erected throughout the Company's works as soon as conveniently may be.

18th December 1788 LLC 14

The Court having taken into further consideration the report of the Gentlemen who visited the Company's works in Wales.

Resolved that this Court do approve thereof, being truly sensible of their care and attention therein, and that as their report has offered reasonable ground to hope, that William Smith is sensible of his improper conduct, he be continued in the Company's service, to effect by assiduity, a re-establishment of the Courts esteem.

29th December 1788 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor	
Mr John Crellius Deputy Governor	
Assistants	
Mr Richard Chester	Thomas Cogan Esq
Mr Robert Harris Cooper	Mr Francis Cooper
Mr Jacob Hagen junr	Benjamin Lutkens Esq
Mr Charles Mills	Mr James Palmer
Mr Simeon Warner	Mr Isaac Warner

15th January 1789 LLC 14

Received £600 for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

5th February 1789 LLC 14

Received £673 6s 8d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

12th February 1789 LLC 14

Received £749 2s 2d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

The Court having taken into consideration proposals made to them for a grant of Afton mine by Colonel Stewart, were of opinion that Thomas Dodd their agent should view the same and a letter was wrote to him for that purpose.

The Court having taken into consideration the inconvenience that attends the purchase of shares belonging to this Company being obliged to take and subscribe the oaths appointed by our Charter in lieu of the oaths of allegiance and supremacy upon their accepting the same are of opinion that applications should be made to Parliament that the same may be dispensed with

26th February 1789 LLC 14

Received £288 0s 3d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

12th March 1789 LLC 14

Received £95 1s 6d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

26th March 1789 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also That a extraordinary dividend of five shillings per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid on the 30th September next.

26th March 1789 LLC 14

The Court read through a draft of a bill (*to change the rules regarding the taking of oaths*) some alterations being necessary the draft was returned to the solicitor.

27th March 1789

Petition of Governors and company for smelting down lead with pit coal and sea coal.

Issuing Body

House of Commons. Committee to Whom the Petition of the Governor and Company for Smelting Down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal...Was Referred.

Chairman/presented by:

Mainwaring, William

Abstract:

Bill to remove difficulties respecting qualifications of the proprietors of shares in the company.

"Mr Mainwaring reported from the Committee, to whom the Petition of the Governor and Company for smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal, was referred; That the Committee had examined the Matter of the said Petition; and had directed him to report the same, as it appeared to them, to the House; and he read the Report in his Place; and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table: Where the same was read; and is as followeth; viz. To prove the Allegations of the said Petition, a Royal Charter, bearing Date the 4th Day of October, in the Fourth Year of the Reign of King William and Queen Mary, for incorporating certain Persons there in named, and their Successors, by the Style and Title of 'The Governor and Company for smelting down Lead with Pit and Sea Coal' was produced to your Committee, and read. And it appeared by a Clause in the said Charter, that it provided and commanded, That no Person shall have any Interest in or be admitted into the said Company, until he hath first taken, in open Court, before the Governor or Deputy Governor of the said Company, the Oaths appointed by an Act of Parliament, passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of the said King William and Queen Mary, entitled, 'An Act for abrogating the Oaths of Supremacy and Allegiance and appointing other Oaths.' And Mr Robert Aslett, who has been Secretary to the said Governor and Company for Forty-five Years, being examined, said, That many Inconveniences have arisen on Account of the said Clause, as the Purchasers and Holders of Shares in the said Undertaking are obliged to take the Oaths in open Court, before the Governor and Company, which Court must be held either in London or Westminster - That Catholics, and Persons residing Abroad, are precluded from becoming Purchasers of such Shares, which is of considerable Detriment to the Company, as the Shares are for these Reasons less valuable and negotiable than they would otherwise be. Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for removing certain Difficulties respecting the Qualifications of the Proprietors of Shares in the Company for smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal: And that Mr Mainwaring and Mr Hobart do prepare, and bring in, the same"

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16th April 1789 LLC 14

Resolved unanimously.

That all works in the Isle of Man should be stopped till they can send a proper agent to survey the same.

22nd April 1789 LLC 14

Received £253 13s 11d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

7th May 1789 LLC 14

£6,815 11s 2d paid to the Duke of Northumberland for Thomas Halls Bill.

11th June 1789 LLC 14

This Court was called to take into consideration an offer by Colonel Stewart of his mine in Scotland called Afton, which Thomas Dodd the Company's agent, hath been to view and reported his opinion thereof.

Also the extension of leases from Lord Grosvenor on Halkin Mountain.

Resolved the Court should take a lease for 21 years of Afton mine agreeable to the representation by Thomas Dodd.

And the following proposals were made to Colonel Stewart.

A lease for 21 years at one eighth Duty ore no forfeiture if unwrought any time within 12 months nor restricted to any number of men. Also liberty to erect buildings for smelting &c.

And one hundred acres of waste land about the works at one shilling per acre for the convenience of miners &c. or any other purpose that might be thought necessary or convenient for carrying on the work.

Resolved that proposals be made to Lord Grosvenor for the renewal of his leases of Halkin Mountain.

2nd July 1789 LLC 14

Received £195 16s 6d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

23rd July 1789 LLC 14

Received £574 1s 9d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

26th August 1789 LLC 14

The Court was called to take into consideration the report of Messrs Simeon Warner and Isaac Warner, on their return from visiting the Company's works in the Isle of Man and Wales.

That report was now read and considered, which included a report made to them by our agent Thomas Dodd from Alston Moor, of the state of the mines in the Isle of Man, which appears to have been badly and expensively conducted by George Staley, who Messrs Simeon Warner and Isaac Warner thought proper to discharge and this Court confirms the same.

Thomas Dodd having in his said report, laid down a plan effectually to try the several mines which is approved by this Court.

3rd September 1789 LLC 14

The Court awarded Thomas Dodd a present of 60 guineas in consideration of his extraordinary services in inspecting the Company's mines in Scotland and the Isle of Man.

8th October 1789 LLC 14

Received £1000 for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

22nd October 1789 LLC 14

Messrs Lancaster & Co, Mr Samuel Freeman, Thomas Preston, and Messrs Walker & Maltby attended the Court and they agreed to buy:

Lancaster	8000
Freeman	4800
Preston	4000600
Walker	<u>4800</u>

21600 pieces of lead

Delivered at Newcastle at £17 Newcastle fother.

5th November 1789 LLC 14

£6,120 9s 10d paid to the Duke of Northumberland for Thomas Halls Bill.

12th November 1789 LLC 14

Received £647 8s 6d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

19th November 1789 LLC 14

Received £500 for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

Affixed the seal to the lease of Afton mine on the Shire of Ayr from Katherine Gordon, Katherine Stewart and Alexander Stewart for the term of 21 years at one eighth Duty.

3rd December 1789 LLC 14

Received £642 18s 6d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

17th December 1789 LLC 14

Sold to Lancaster & Co 4000 pieces of lead delivered at Stockton at £16 10s fother.

31st December 1789 LLC 14

Received £1021 17s 6d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

1st January 1790 LLC 38

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor
Mr Thomas Cogan Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Richard Chester	Mr Robert Harris Cooper
Mr Francis Cooper	Benjamin Lutkens Esq
Mr Thomas How Masterman	Mr Charles Mills
Mr James Palmer	Mr Simeon Warner
Mr Isaac Warner	Mr Thomas Weston junr

14th January 1790 LLC 14

Sold to Messrs Lancaster & Co 400 pieces of lead & Mr Maltby 400 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £16 fother.

21st January 1790 LLC 14

Received £526 8s 10d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

Affixed the Company Seal to a lease from Timothy Hutchinson of mines in the Manor of Eggleston for 21 years from the 6th October 1789 at one fifth duty in lead ore and other minerals.

11th February 1790 LLC 14

Robert Aslett the Company's secretary at the age of 78 asked the Court to accept his resignation. This was allowed and in consideration of his long and faithful service his salary of £100 was to be continued for the rest of his life.

18th February 1790 LLC 14

The committee appointed by the Court to procure an act of Parliament for an amendment of their Charter in Certain cases report that they were advised by Mr. Blackstock the most eligible method would be by petitioning the King to amend the Charter and gave them a draft of a proper petition; which being now read was agreed by the Court.

4th March 1790 LLC 14

William Smith the Company's agent in Wales was offered the post of Secretary in the place of Robert Aslett at a salary of £160 with an allowance of £40 for coals and candles, he was as well as acting as secretary to take over management and Superintendence of all the Company's books and accounts. He requested time to consider the Courts offer. In a letter to the Court dated the 30th March 1790 he declined the post.

25th March 1790 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

25th March 1790 LLC 14

Received £646 10s 0d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

8th April 1790 LLC 14

The Committee of mines reported on the amount the mines in Alston Moor had gained for the Company over the past 9 years.

Gained

Scaleburn Moss	£2051	12s	7d
Smallcleugh	794	11	7
Browngill Sun vein	3250	12	0
Manorgill	6055	5	0
East Flakebridge	865	11	4
Green mines	180	14	4
Rampgill	492	8	3
Middlecleugh	1524	3	0
Shawfoot	129	7	0
Total	<u>£15343</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>1</u>

Lost by

Browngill	£1335	10s	3d
Gudamgillmoss	291	10	3
Wiregill	343	1	5
Holmhead	542	12	7
Shildon	2333	1	8
Jeffrys	211	15	5
Whitfield	979	9	8
Total	<u>£6037</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>

Balance gained for 9 years £9306 4s 10d

The Committee on this view of the mines were of the opinion that the agents should be consulted immediately on the propriety of continuing to work the loss making mines. Profit and loss at Gadlis for 9 years from 1781 to 1789 both inclusive. (including the works in the Isle of Man)

Loss				Gain			
1781	£890	5s	7d	1783	£771	1s	0d
1782	£1,665	16s	1d	1784	£448	17s	4d
1786	£160	18s	3d	1785	£414	13s	6d
1787	£4,389	4s	7d	1788	£755	17s	3d
1789	£783	9s	11d				

Interest of Capital for 9 years
£10,000 at 4 per cent £3,600
£11,489 14s 5d

Balance in loss of this account
£9099 5s 4d
£11,489 14s 5d

The Committee found that in Wales the profit for the preceding nine years was £3,748 18s 4d which was more than 4 per cent of the capital employed. The mines have been and are now in such a state as to be under the necessity of being wrought by farm, they had produced only 63 tons of ore the preceding year. They recommended that the Company's future must be from Smelting Bought ore, and questioned the expediency of continuing their business in Wales. The Committee went on to say "they presume the Court will see the necessity either of adopting a new system of management, or entirely abandoning the concern, when there does not remain a shade of hope of doing so well in future.

Mr Gilbert Hagen was appointed Company Secretary at a salary of £120 and £40 allowed for coals and candles. Salary to commence on the 5th April.

15th April 1790 LLC 14

The Court took into consideration the report of the Committee of accounts delivered at the last Court and agreed with them that letters should be wrote their agents in the North for their opinion of the losing mines.

A motion was made and seconded that the Court having considered their concerns in Wales that the works there should be finally closed and that William Smith their agent be directed to proceed accordingly.

But on account of some members being absent it was agreed to defer the consideration of this motion to next Court.

22nd April 1790 LLC 14

Received £420 17s 2d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

£6,920 12s 9d paid to the Duke of Northumberland for Thomas Halls Bill.

The minute of last Court respecting their concerns in Wales having been read, the same was reconsidered and a letter wrote to their agent William Smith for his sentiments respecting the final closing of their concerns there.

13th May 1790 LLC 14

£6,800 paid to the Duke of Northumberland for Thomas Halls Bill.

A letter from Messrs Hall and Dodd of the 8th May 1790 in reply to the Courts letter on the loss that had arisen on prosecuting the Derwent mines and requesting information from the Court touching the lease of these mines and mills.

10th June 1790 LLC 14

Received £420 8s 0d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

A copy of the lease from John Skottowe of mills and mines in Derwent was sent to Thomas Hall and Thomas Dodd.

8th July 1790 LLC 14

Sold to Messrs Lancaster & Co 12600 pieces, Walker and Maltby 9400 pieces of lead at £16 15s fother refined, Slag lead at £16 10s fother delivered at Newcastle.

15th July 1790 LLC 14

Received £855 11s 6d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

26th August 1790 LLC 14

Received £704 12s 0d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

9th September 1790 LLC 14

Resolved that the under mentioned salaries be allowed to the Company's agents as follows.
Thomas Dodd £100 per annum being an advance of £20 per annum on his former salary to commence at Michaelmas next.

John Summers £40 per annum to commence from his arrival at the Isle of Man

Jonathan Fetherstone £30 per annum in place of Andrew Adamson

Matthew Johnson £25 per annum appointed agent at Nenthead mill.

23rd September 1790 LLC 14

Received £701 19s 1d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

30th September 1790 LLC 14

Sold to Messrs Lancaster & Co 3500 pieces of lead, Messrs Maltby & Co 2500 pieces, delivered at Stockton at £17 5s fother.

4th October 1790 LLC 14

Letters were written to Thomas Dodd, John Summers, John Smith the Company's agent at Whitfield mill.

14th October 1790 LLC 14

£5,700 paid to the Duke of Northumberland for Thomas Halls Bill.

21st October 1790 LLC 14

Received £577 19s 7d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

11th November 1790 LLC 14

Sold to Messrs Lancaster & Maltby 3000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £16 15s fother also 100 tons of lead at Gadlis at £16 5s ton.

18th November 1790 LLC 14

Letter was written to Thomas Milburne agent to the Bacon-Forster family in Durham whose moiety of sundry lead mines are advertised for sale.

1st December 1790 LLC 14

The Court was called to take into consideration an advertisement and conditions of sale of a moiety of thirty mines situated in the County of Durham to be sold at Newcastle on the 7th instant.

Mr Robert Harris Cooper and Mr Isaac Warner were requested to go down to Newcastle and were empowered to purchase all or part of the mines as they thought proper. (*Mr Thomas Masterman was requested to accompany them by order of the Court of 2nd December 1790*)

16th December 1790 LLC 14

Messrs Cooper, Warner and Masterman reported that they had obtained a postponement of the sale of the advertised mines in Weardale. (The sale had been postponed until the 11th January 1791)

31st December 1790 LLC 38

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor
Mr Thomas Cogan Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Richard Chester	Mr Robert Harris Cooper
Mr Francis Cooper	Mr Jacob Hagen junr
Mr Thomas How Masterman	Charles Mills Esq
Mr James Palmer	Mr Charles Pearson
Mr Isaac Warner	Mr Thomas Weston junr

6th January 1791 LLC 14

Received £600 for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

20th January 1791 LLC 14

Received £526 8s 10d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

27th January 1791 LLC 14

It was reported that Lot 4 of the advertised Weardale mines had been bought for £315 and that an agreement had been made with Sir Thomas Blackett for his moiety of Lot 4 for which they paid him £315.

10th February 1791 LLC 14

Received £777 12s 3d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

3rd March 1791 LLC 14

As the lease with Lord Strathmore was to expire in May 1792 the Court agreed to make an offer for the renewal of the lease.

10th March 1791 LLC 14

The Court resolved to pursue the plan proposed by the Gentlemen who had visited the works last year of making new erections at Whitfield mill.

17th March 1791 LLC 14

Received £387 5s 0d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

24th March 1791 LLC 38

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

21st April 1791 LLC 14

The Court having fully taken into consideration the state of their concerns at Gadlis and Wales it appears that the advantages and expectations there from are not adequate to the interests of the Company.

Resolved unanimously.

That the Company's concerns in Wales be disposed of as soon as may be and that William Smith have directions to prepare for the disposal thereof and send the Court his ideas how to proceed with a valuation of the Company's property there.

28th April 1791 LLC 14

Sold to Messrs Lancaster & Co 17500 pieces of lead, Messrs Walker & Maltby 12500 pieces of lead at £18 15s fother for refined & common and £18 10s a fother for slag lead.

5th May 1791 LLC 14

Received £188 5s 8d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

12th May 1791 LLC 14

The secretary brought in an assignment from William Benthon Esq and Francis his wife to the Governor and Company of a moiety of Lot 4 being sundry mines in Weardale in the County of Durham bought at a public auction 11th January last at Newcastle and reported that he had paid G L Vantteythuyson £315 (the Company's draft) being the purchase money for the same. Messrs Cooper, Palmer, and Warner chosen a committee by the Court 21st April to treat with the Duke of Athol for the remaining term in their lease held of his Grace in the Isle of Man brought in the following report which was read.

"That they waited on the Duke by his appointment on Monday 2nd May and after much general conversation relative to the mines, the mode adopted by the Company in working them, the richness of the ore in silver and the strong appearance of copper in the Island his Grace observed that he believed the mines might be wrought to advantage under a judicious direction, that the loss the Company had hitherto sustained was owing either to the misconduct or want of ability in their agents, that the veins of copper should be tried, and that it was a bad plan to transport the ore to Wales to be smelted, as there was a certain sale on the spot for a very considerable quantity of lead ore every year, which would be shipped free from duty. That he proposed boring for coal which he thought there was a prospect of finding as a sufficiency had been raised of a good quality to make a comfortable fire.

The committee not being able to discover a disposition in the Duke to make them any proposal, stated to his Grace that the Court understood from his letter of 18th April that he was desirous of treating with them for the Resignation of their lease, and begged to know if he had any proposition to make the Company, to the question so put the Duke replied that he had not, yet if the Company were inclined to give up the lease, or determined not to work the mines with more spirit than they had done, he should spend some part of this Summer in the Isle of Man and should have no objection on his return to negotiate with them for it. The committee informed the Duke that their chief agent was ordered to view their works in the Island and when he had made his report, the Court would be ready to confer again with his Grace on this subject.

25th May 1791 LLC 14

Thomas Dodd according to order, attended this Court previous to a general survey to be taken by him of their mines in the Isle of Man. It was resolved, that a shaft should be sunk immediately on the copper vein there, and that every expense may be so circumscribed as to prevent any loss what ever, the Court having resolved that the Island shall be retained only on that ground.

Upon the representations of Thomas Dodd the Court came to the following resolution.

That Matthew Johnson agent smelter at Nenthead mill his present salary of £25 is not adequate for his services.

Resolved that his salary in future be £35 per annum to commence from Ladyday last.

Resolved that 1d per Bing be taken off the carriage of the Smallcleugh ore.

Resolved that in future the Company's ore be valued at the general average price of the ore raised in the Moor sold by public sale.

Resolved that the trial in Goodamgill driving through the Deep level already driven by the Broomsberry Company be pursued.

7th July 1791 LLC 14

Received £395 12s 6d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

14th July 1791 LLC 14

Thomas Dodd having been to the Isle of Man and taken a general survey of the Company's mine there pursuant to order attended this Court and brought his report thereon which was read.

The Court after reading and maturely considering said report it appears to them that it would be for the interest of the Company to dispose of the lease holden under the Duke of Athol and the sundry materials thereto belonging.

Resolved that this Court agree to offer the Duke the surrender of their lease with the whole of the materials belonging to them in the Isle of Man for the sum of £1,500 and that a letter be written to his Grace for that purpose which was accordingly done.

Thomas Dodd further reported that he had waited upon Messrs Heron and Co attorneys to Sir Thomas Blackett respecting the conveyance of his moiety of mines in Weardale to the Company who referred him to Mr Letteney the Company solicitor for that purpose.

Ordered the secretary to wait on Mr Letteney to prepare a draft of assignment of the said mines.

Thomas Dodd further reported that he had waited on Mrs Ord to request a view of the coal mines at Whitfield and if approved a lease for the use of the Company to which she consented during the minority of her son.

Thomas Dodd further reported that he had received a letter from General Stewart expressing his expectation of an advance of price for his Duty ore from what the Court had understood it to have been before fixed with him.

Ordered Thomas Dodd to settle the price with the General agreeable to the value thereof.

Thomas Dodd recommended to the Court that a piece of ground to the South of Rampgill lease bounding on land belonging to Errington and Co be proposed by them to the Greenwich Hospital for a lease of 21 years.

Ordered that Thomas Dodd do apply on behalf of the Company for the same.

The Court taking into consideration the extra services of Thomas Dodd and the several journeys for some time past he has made on account of the Company.

Resolved unanimously

That the sum of £100 be presented to him.

11th August 1791 LLC 14

Sold to Messrs Ellill and Maltby 120 tons delivered at Gadlis at £18 10s a ton and 4000 pieces lead delivered at Stockton at £19 10s fother.

25th August 1791 LLC 14

Received £582 7s 1d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

1st September 1791 LLC 14

Received £539 12s 5d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

22nd September 1791 LLC 14

Received £731 2s 7d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

20th October 1791 LLC 14

The Company seal was affixed to a lease from Robert Wright Esq to the Company of lead mines under the Manor of Rogerly, Frosterly, and Allergill in the Parish of Stanhope in the County of Durham dated 21st September 1791 for the term of 21 years.

27th October 1791 LLC 14

Received £492 13s 4d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

3rd November 1791 LLC 14

Received £437 13s 7d for Welsh silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.
£6,453 17s 8d paid to the Duke of Northumberland for Thomas Halls Bill.

8th December 1791 LLC 14

Received £885 14s 9d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

15th December 1791 LLC 14

Sir Thomas Blackett's Demise of his moiety of lead mines in Ireshope Fell in the County of Durham was received by the Court this day from J E Blackett and duly executed.

29th December 1791 LLC 14

Affixed the Company seal to a duplicate lease from Robert Wright Esq of sundry lead mines under the manor of Rogerly Frosterly and Allergill in the County of Durham dated 27th September 1791 for 21 years.

30th December 1791 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor	
Mr Thomas Cogan Deputy Governor	
Assistants	
Mr Richard Chester	Mr Francis Cooper
Mr Jacob Hagen junr	Benjamin Lutkens Esq
Mr Thomas How Masterman	Charles Mills Esq
Mr Charles Pearson	Mr Simeon Warner
Mr Isaac Warner	Mr Thomas Weston junr

19th January 1792 LLC 14

Received £330 10s 8d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

26th January 1792 LLC 14

The Court having taken into consideration the Company's affairs in Wales also their concerns in the Isle of Man, and the lease of the Isle of Man with several letters being read. A letter was wrote to the Duke of Athol requesting an answer to the Courts letter of the 14th July last offering to surrender up their lease of his mines in the Isle of Man on certain conditions. The Court therefore finding their concerns in Wales and the Isle of Man so connected that at present it is not convenient to dispose of their property in Wales. Their minute of 21st April last is to be further considered at the next quarterly Court.

15th March 1792 LLC 14

Received £228 14s 3d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

20th March 1792 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

5th April 1792 LLC 14

The Court heard the Duke of Athol had offered £1250 for the lease and materials of the Isle of Man mines. The offer was accepted.

19th April 1792 LLC 14

Received £123 5s 1d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

The Court taking into consideration their concerns in Wales and the Company having agreed with the Duke of Athol to surrender or give up their lease from him at Midsummer next.

Resolved that William Smith be directed to make all necessary preparations to dispose of their concerns as soon after Midsummer next as can be done.

27th April 1792 LLC 14

The Report of Messrs Isaac Warner and Simeon Warner and Thomas Dodd, of Christopher Gulletts concern in Devonshire was read and it was decided the mines could not be pursued to any advantage.

A present of 20 guineas was made to Thomas Dodd for his extra service of travelling to Devonshire.

17th May 1792 LLC 14

Received £863 12s 2d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

14th June 1792 LLC 14

Received £364 19s 11d for silver sold to Messrs Masterman & Springall.

Messrs Freeman Preston, Lancaster, and Maltby refused to pay the Company's fixed price of £20 fother.

5th July 1792 LLC 14

Sold 1212 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/6 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall. (£334 15s 1d)

12th July 1792 LLC 38

A Court for Electing a Deputy Governor of the Corporation for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal for the remainder of the year in the room of Thomas Cogan Esq. deceased.

Mr Francis Cooper was unanimously elected Deputy Governor for the remainder of the present year.

2nd August 1792 LLC 14

Sold 1861 oz of North silver at 5/5 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall. (£521 7s 9d)

24th August 1792 LLC 14

Resolved that the leases of Perthymaen and Kinmell mines together with the Smelt Works and materials at Gadlis be put up to public sale at Garraway's Coffee House by Mr Griffiths on 13th September next, and that printed particulars be sent to William Smith to be inserted in the Chester, Shrewsbury, and Liverpool papers.

6th September 1792 LLC 14

Sold 1804 oz of North silver at 5/5 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall. (£521 7s 9d)

13th September 1792 LLC 14

Mr. Francis Cooper Deputy Governor and Mr. Richard Chester reported that they had at last succeeded in their endeavours to obtain an amendment of the Company's Charter to which the Great seal has been affixed and the said amended Charter was this day delivered to the Court.

27th September 1792 LLC 38**A Half Yearly General Court**

The Governor acquainted the General Court that an amendment to the Charter had been obtained.

1. To dispense with the usual oaths on the first admission of any person by purchase or otherwise, but such admission doth not entitle such person to vote in General Courts or otherwise.
2. No person born out of the King's allegiance can become a proprietor of any share or shares.

4th October 1792 LLC 14

Sold 2006 oz 5 pw of North silver at 5/5 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall. (£579 16s 9d)

18th October 1792 LLC 14

Affixed the Company's seal to an assignment of the leases of a lead mine called Perthyaen near Newmarket in the Hundred of Prestattin and smelt works at Bagilt near Holywell Flintshire to John Griffiths Esq. Which were sold to him by public auction on the 13 September last for £700 for which he deposited to the auctioneer in part £140 and this day paid the Court the remaining sum of £560.

The Court taken into consideration the Company's affairs in Wales and the long service of William Smith their agent at Gadlis.

Resolved unanimously to make him a present of the remaining term of the lease of their farm which he now occupies on their account at Gadlis.

25th October 1792 LLC 14

Sold to Messrs Lancaster & Co 275 tons upwards of Gadlis lead, 12000 pieces of Newcastle lead, sold to Messrs Walker & Maltby 200 tons of Gadlis lead and 8000 pieces of Newcastle lead at £18 ton for Gadlis lead and £18 10s for refined and £18 5s for slag lead at Newcastle.

1st November 1792 LLC 14

Messrs Lancaster & Maltby on behalf of themselves and others bought 425 Tons and upwards being the whole of the Company's lead at Gadlis at £18 per Ton payable by their acceptance of the secretary's draft dated 12th inst. at 3 months.

22nd November 1792 LLC 14

Sold 3339 oz 5 pw of North silver at 5/5 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall. (£960 5s 0d)
John Griffiths Esq bought the remaining ore at Gadlis at £10 5s per Ton.

22nd November 1792 LLC 14

Received £1,910 12s from John Griffiths Esq for 186 Tons 8cwt of ore at Gadlis at £10 5s per ton.

28th December 1792 LLC 38

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor

Mr Francis Cooper Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Richard Chester

Mr John Heylyn

Mr Thomas How Masterman

Mr James Palmer

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Jacob Hagen junr

Mr Benjamin Lutkens

Charles Mills Esq

Mr Charles Pearson

Mr Thomas Weston

3rd January 1793 LLC 14

Sold 2524 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/5 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall. (£726 18s 0d)

Messrs Lancaster & Maltby bought 3500 pieces of lead delivered at Stockton at £18 10s Stockton fother.

14th February 1793 LLC 14

Messrs Lancaster & Maltby purchased the remains of the company's lead at Newcastle about 7000 pieces refined and common at £18 5s fother.

28th February 1793 LLC 14

Sold 1029 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/23/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall. (£286 4s 0d)

21st March 1793 LLC 14

The Committee of Mines gave the following report.

That having attentively revised the Gentlemen's report who visited the Company's works in the North 1790. And having also read over the letters of Thomas Dodd dated 8th April 1791 and 23 February 1793 upon the subject are of opinion with him that a Refinery built at Nenthead might fully answer the Company's purpose, but submit to the Court whether it would not first be proper to write to Thomas Dodd to know upon what tenure the Company hold their present mill at Nenthead. If they have room and could with safety build additional furnaces and Refinery upon the same spot.

28th March 1793 LLC 38

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

12th April 1793 LLC 14

Sold 1579 oz of North silver at 5/23/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall. (£438 17s 4d)

18th April 1793 LLC 14

Resolved that a letter be wrote to Thomas Dodd directing him immediately to erect at Nenthead two Refineries agreeable to the plan he proposed.

2nd May 1793 LLC 14

Messrs Lancaster & Maltby bought 15000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £17 10s fother refined and common and £17 5s for slag lead.

9th May 1793 LLC 14

Sold 1289 oz of North silver at 5/23/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£358 5s 2d). Read over a draft of a lease from Timothy Hutchinson Esq to the Company of a newly discovered lead mine at Egglestone with Robert Stagg's remarks thereon which the Court approved.

13th June 1793 LLC 14

Sold 1111 oz of North silver at 5/13/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£303 17s 6d).

4th July 1793 LLC 14

Sold 2186 oz of North silver at 5/11/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£557 17s 8 1/2d).

11th July 1793 LLC 14

"We the Committee appointed by the special court the 18th April 1793 to consider if any and what alterations can be made for the benefit of the Company in their mode of making their

payments in the North and report their opinion at the next special quarterly Court. Do report that after mature consideration are unanimously of opinion very material alterations may be made for the benefit of the Company in the mode of taking cash from Newcastle for making the pays in Alston Moor by the Company's agent going to Newcastle monthly and the sum to be limited which will do away with the risk the Company are now subject by preventing so large a balance resting in the hands of their agent at Alston. The committee are also of opinion the Court should recommend to the Gentlemen who shall be appointed to next visit their concerns in the North to have a meeting with the Bankers at Newcastle to ascertain if cash could be obtained without their being under the necessity of taking the Duke of Northumberland's money in order to avoid the great risk of so large a sum at a period when it is not wanted by the Company for their pays. All of which they your committee submit to the consideration of the Court."

Francis Cooper Dep. Gov

Richard Chester James Palmer

Simeon Warner

8th August 1793 LLC 14

Sold 1871 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/11/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£477 10s 13/4d).

Report of the Committee of mines.

In conformity to the wish at the Court we have looked into the state of your different mines under the care of your agent Thomas Dodd and it is with satisfaction we observed his attention to the interest of your concerns, so far as to lower the bargains let at Midsummer last 2/- on ore raised per Bing and in proportion on ore raised by the Ton. Also stopped the Dead work in sundry mines and a considerable less number of men employed than at Xmas and Ladyday, at least sixty. But we are of opinion that greater saving may be made when the gentlemen visit the Company's works.

19th September 1793 LLC 14

Sold 2596 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/13/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£668 1s 13/4d).

3rd October 1793 LLC 14

Sold Messrs Lancaster & Maltby 12000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £16 10s fother refined & common and £16 5s fother for slag lead.

17th October 1793 LLC 14

Sold 2002 oz of North silver at 5/13/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£515 1s 11 1/2d).

31st October 1793 LLC 14

Read over a lease from Timothy Hutchinson Esq to the Company of a mine called Eggleston Hall Scar lead veins, ordered that the Company's seal be affixed thereto next Court.

7th November 1793 LLC 14

The Company seal was this day affixed to the lease from Timothy Hutchinson as ordered last Court.

A lease from Edward Constable to the Company of a mine called Spanham vein having being read over, the Company's seal was affixed thereto.

Report of the Committee of mines to the Court.

Your committee of mines upon examining the sales of lead and bargains let, observe that in 1785 lead sold from £15 17s 6d to £16 5s per fother and bargains let 25s, 26s, and 27s per Bing. In 1787 lead sold for £19 and £20 per fother, the bargains they let for 28s and 30s per Bing.

It appears that in 1785 some of these bargains were let by Robert Stagg previous to the appointment of Thomas Dodd after the discharge of Robert Percival. In the year 1788 (very unexpectedly) lead rose to the astonishing price of £23 per fother, then the miners took advantages and rose the bargains to 35s, 38s, and 40s per Bing in the years 1789 and 1790. The lead market has considerably fallen from £17 and £16. Though your agents had not lowered the bargains in proportion for 35s and 30s. Thomas Dodd has had some consideration at the fallen state of the lead market by lowering the bargains since Ladyday 1793 about 3s per Bing, he has not nearly reduced the bargains to the same as they were in the years 1785 and 1786, when lead sold at the same prices nearly as this year £16 10s.

It may be justly observed by the Court that this ought to be done, but we fear that there will be some difficulty in accomplishing that object, though it is the duty of the Court to attempt it, but it is worth considering whether the Company's should strain it a shade upon the eve of perhaps a severe winter. We recommend the Court to acquaint their Agent Thomas Dodd of the above statement and bargains let in the year 1785 and 1786 ordering him at the same time to lower them as near as possible to the present state of the lead market, to make himself acquainted and inform the Court at what price Blackett's and other considerable mining adventurers in the county let their bargains at this time.

We have considered Thomas Dodd's station as your chief mining Agent to do justice to him, must employ the greatest part of his time and much the most intensive concerns of the Company under his care in the Moor and as Robert Stagg is competent to all your concerns in Durham and Yorkshire and has more time to spare, we recommend the Court to put under his care all the mines in Weardale and order all the ore sent to Egglestone mill.

Thomas Dodd in his letter of the 19th October says the Court promised him an equivalent for horses that the former agents used to employ. We do not recollect such a promise, but we think that about the time Thomas Dodd applied to the Court for a consideration they gave him increase of salary and a considerable gratuity.

We hope the Court will continue discountenance such emoluments to their agents as horses which were formerly found prejudicial to the Company. We think their salaries are ample to their employment, if at any future period it is necessary to reward them for extraordinary services we recommend it to be done by gratuity.

14th November 1793 LLC 14

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's request in his letter of the 19th October for a compensation for his extra services.

Ordered that a gratuity be made him of £50 for the same.

21st November 1793 LLC 14

Sold 2595 oz 5 pw of North silver at 5/13/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£667 13s 8 1/4d).

5th December 1793 LLC 14

The lease from Robert Wright of Rogerly mine was taken out of the Company's Iron chest.

Ordered that the secretary send a copy thereof to Thomas Dodd.

30th December 1793 LLC 38

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor

Mr Francis Cooper Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr John Heylyn

Mr Thomas How Masterman

Mr Jacob Hagen junr

Mr Benjamin Lutkens

Mr James Palmer

Mr Charles Pearson
Mr Isaac Warner

Mr Simeon Warner
Mr Thomas Weston

2nd January 1794 LLC 15

Sold 3307 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/13/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£904 17s 0d).
£7,000 paid to Ridley & Co bankers.

23rd January 1794 LLC 15

Resolved that a final closure of their affairs in Wales be affected as soon as possible. In consequence a letter was wrote to William Smith requesting him to expedite the same by the best means in his power.

13th February 1794 LLC 15

Resolved that Thomas Dodd, Robert Stagg and Joshua Watson of Acton Mill be ordered to attend the Court as soon as the Company's affairs will permit them.

13th March 1794 LLC 15

Sold 2596 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/11/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£668 1s 2d).

18th March 1794 LLC 15

This Court is a fourth Special Court appointed to confer with their agents Thomas Dodd, Robert Stagg and Joshua Watson, and having furnished their enquiries and received the fullest information of the Company's concerns under each of their cares.

Resolved that Mr. Dodd be ordered to let the Ladyday Bargains at the several mines under his direction in the manner he recommended to the Court in his letter dated 1 February last and that none of the Bargains shall exceed 28/- per Bing and the reduction of the general expense as contained in the said letter and that a letter of instruction be given him.

Resolved that it will be for the advantage of the Company to work up as much of the wasteheaps at Acton and Jeffrys Mill as shall not exceed £8 8s per ton of lead and that a letter of instruction be given to Joshua Watson.

Resolved that a present of 10 guineas be given to each of the above agents.

27th March 1794 LLC 38

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

27th March 1794 LLC 15

Sold Lancaster & Maltby 4000 pieces of lead delivered at Stockton at £15 10s Stockton fother in proportion 12 to Messrs Lancaster and 8 to Messrs Walker, Maltby & Co.

3rd April 1794 LLC 15

Sold 1525 oz 5 pw of North silver at 5/11/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£392 7s 11d).

17th April 1794 LLC 15

Sold 1010 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/11/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£259 19s 10d).

The Court took into consideration the last quarterly Bargains of Dodd and Stagg which they observe have been reduced agreeable to the orders give them.

1st May 1794 LLC 15

Sold Lancaster and Maltby 20000 pieces of lead at £15 Newcastle fother for refined and common and £14 15s for slag lead in proportion of 12 to 8.

22nd May 1794 LLC 15

Sold 1100 oz of North silver at 5/13/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£283 0s 5d).

12th June 1794 LLC 15

Sold 2231 oz of North silver at 5/21/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£578 13s 4d).

10th July 1794 LLC 15

Sold 1891 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/21/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£490 13 5d).

The Court having taken into consideration the remaining affairs of the Company in Wales and William Smith's letter of 4th March last respecting the outstanding debts due to the Company. Resolved that William Smith be desired to bring the Company's concerns to a final conclusion.

14th August 1794 LLC 15

Sold 1478 oz of North silver at 5/03/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£374 2s 4d).

4th September 1794 LLC 15

Sold 1791 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/11/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£457 4s 1d).

Thomas Dodd's Bond with his new sureties being returned duly executed, the same was delivered to the secretary for him to place in the Company's Iron chest the first opportunity. The old one was cancelled and returned him this day.

25th September 1794 LLC 15

Sold Lancaster and Maltby 10000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £14 10s fother. The quantity to each in proportion 12 to Messrs Lancaster and 8 to Messrs Maltby.

9th October 1794 LLC 15

Sold 1961 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/11/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£500 13s 1d).

20th October 1794 LLC 15

Sold 2105 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/11/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£537 8s 1d).

24th December 1794 LLC 15

Sold 1303 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/21/2 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£339 9s 1d).

31st December 1794 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor
Mr Francis Cooper Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay	Mr Robert Chester
Mr Jacob Hagen junr	Mr John Heylyn
Mr Benjamin Lutkens	Charles Mills Esq

Mr James Palmer
Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Charles Pearson
Mr Isaac Warner

8th January 1795 LLC 15

Sold 1282 oz 5 pw of North silver at 5/21/2 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£333 17s 7d).

22nd January 1795 LLC 15

Sold 2500 pieces of lead delivered at Stockton at £14 15s fother to Lancaster & Walker in proportion of 12 to 8.

Resolved that the whole of Egglestone Hall mine be discontinued working for the present.

5th February 1795 LLC 15

£5,100 paid to Ridley & Co for Thomas Halls Bill.

19th March 1795 LLC 15

Sold 1620 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/11/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£413 11s 4d).

26th March 1795 LLC 38

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

9th April 1795 LLC 15

Sold 20,000 pieces of lead to Lancaster and Maltby delivered at Newcastle at £14 15s for refined and common and £14 10s for slag lead; in proportion 12 to 8.

23rd April 1795 LLC 15

Sold 713 oz of North silver at 5/11/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£181 19s 3d). Resolved that Thomas Dodd, Robert Stagg, and Thomas Friend be ordered to attend the Court 28th May if convenient to the Company's concerns.

7th May 1795 LLC 38

A Court for Electing a Governor of the Corporation for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal for the remainder of the present year in the room of Mr Jacob Hagen deceased.

Mr Francis Cooper was unanimously elected Governor for the remainder of the present year and signed the declaration required by the General Court of 6th April 1732..

7th May 1795 LLC 15

£7,798 15s 4d paid to the Duke of Northumberland for Thomas Halls Bills.

21st May 1795 LLC 38

A Court for Electing a Deputy Governor of the Corporation for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal for the remainder of the present year in the room of Mr Francis Cooper chosen Governor

Mr Richard Chester was unanimously elected Deputy Governor for the remainder of the present year.

21st May 1795 LLC 15

Sold 2547 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/2 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£658 3s 4d).

30th May 1795 LLC 15

This Court is the third Special Court appointed to confer with their agents Thomas Dodd and Robert Stagg, and having finished their enquiries and received the fullest information of the Company's concerns under each of their cares.

Resolved that a present of 10 guineas be given to each of the agents.

2nd June 1795 LLC 15

Thomas Hall requested leave to resign his place under the Company on account of his advanced age and consequent infirmities.

Resolved That Thomas Hall be requested to continue Cashier, making use of such assistance as the Court shall order.

That Robert Stagg do remove from Middleton to Alston, and that he be appointed Superintendent over all the Company's Smelting works and the ore and lead carriers and forwarding the lead from the several mills to Blaydon and Stockton, and also to attend Thomas Hall when he makes the advance pays to the miners, smelters and carriers and to assist him therein.

That Thomas Dodd continue Chief mining agent in Alston Moor as heretofore directing the whole of the mines at present under his care with the Whitfield Colliery also that he be directed to attend the cashier at the several monthly advances to the miners and general pays.

That the cashier do confine himself in making the advances to the miners at 10/6 per month except in instances where the mining agents may recommend an increase.

That Robert Stagg and Thomas Dodd do always accompany Thomas Hall to Newcastle when money is wanted by him to make advances and pays, and if Thomas Hall should find going to Newcastle to great a fatigue, the Robert Stagg and Thomas Dodd to go without him.

That Thomas Friend's son who now lives with him be appointed assistant to his father with a salary of £20 a year and instructed in the method of keeping the Company's books.

18th June 1795 LLC 15

Sold 1982 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/21/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£514 5s 9d).

16th July 1795 LLC 15

Sold 1406 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/51/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£382 7s 10d).

13th August 1795 LLC 15

Sold 1744 oz of North silver at 5/43/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£470 10s 4d).

8th October 1795 LLC 15

Sold 10000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle to Messrs Lancaster and Maltby at £18 fother for refined and common and £17 15s for slag lead. In proportion 12 to Lancaster & Co and 8 to Maltby & Co. They also purchased all the lead at Stockton 2000 pieces more or less at £18 10s Stockton fother in the same proportion.

15th October 1795 LLC 15

Sold 1784 oz 5 pw of North silver at 5/51/2 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£486 19s 4d).

22nd October 1795 LLC 15

Took into consideration the state of Whitfield Mill, also John Smith's account of the separate expenses attending the erecting of the Air Furnaces.

Took into consideration Robert Staggs report upon Manorgill and Parkingrove mines.

5th November 1795 LLC 15

Paid the Duke of Northumberland £6,662 14s for Thomas Halls Bills.

19th November 1795 LLC 15

Sold 2053 oz 5 pw of North silver at 5/5 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£558 4s 7d).

17th December 1795 LLC 15

Sold 1256 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/5 3/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£344 5s 11d).

4th January 1796 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor
Mr Richard Chester Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay	Mr Jacob Hagen
Mr John Heylyn	Mr Benjamin Lutkens
Mr Thomas How Masterman	Charles Mills Esq
Mr James Palmer	Mr Simeon Warner
Mr Isaac Warner	Mr Thomas Weston

14th January 1796 LLC 15

Sold 2078 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/5 3/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£569 9s 10d).

21st January 1796 LLC 15

Wrote to William Smith respecting the Calamine unsold and outstanding debts.

4th February 1796 LLC 15

Sold 1435 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/5 3/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£393 6s 9d).

An extra Court is to be held on 18th February to take into consideration Thomas Hall's resignation as Cashier.

18th February 1796 LLC 15

The Court took into consideration Thomas Hall's letter of the 23rd January requesting to be permitted to resign due to declining health and infirmity. They accepted his resignation from Ladyday next.

3rd March 1796 LLC 15

Read over and affixed the Company's seal to the following leases from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital to this Company of mines and veins of lead ore on Alston Moor in the County of Cumberland dated the 18 January 1794 for 21 years from the several times at one fifth duty in ore.

Middlecleugh Cross vein	from 1 June 1793
Hudgill Cross vein	from 12 October 1793

10th March 1796 LLC 15

Sold 782 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/5 3/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£214 8s 10d).

11th March 1796 LLC 15

This Court is a second Special Court appointed to confer with their agent Robert Stagg and having proceeded in their enquiries and received further information of the Company's concerns under his care.

Resolved Robert Stagg be appointed from Ladyday next Cashier and Superintendent over all the Company Smelting works and washing the ore and of the ore and lead carriers and of forwarding the lead from the several mills to Blaydon and Stockton in the room of Thomas Hall.

Thomas Hall whose resignation on account of his advanced age was accepted by the Court on February 18th agreeably to his request by letter dated 23 January. Robert Stagg giving the same security as Thomas Hall.

Resolved that Thomas Dodd be appointed Chief mining agent to all the Company's mines and colliery, that he has the Superintendency over purchases of materials necessary for the working of the mines and that he signs the bills for the same before they come to the cashier to pay, and that he accompanies Robert Stagg to Newcastle when money is wanted to make the pay's and also to assist Robert Stagg when the advances and pays are made.

Resolved that the salary of the Cashier Robert Stagg be £130 per annum from Ladyday next.

Resolved that a house be provided at Alston or in its neighbourhood for the use of the Company's business and that Robert Stagg reside therein.

Resolved that the salary of the Chief mining agent Thomas Dodd be £13 per annum from Ladyday next.

Resolved that the salary of the Whitfield Mill agent John Smith be advanced £10 a year from Ladyday next.

Resolved that another Special Court be summoned tomorrow morning at half past Ten o'clock to proceed further in examination of their agent Robert Stagg.

12th March 1796 LLC 15

Resolved that Jacob Brown's advanced age and failure of sight renders him unfit for an Inspector of washing ores, and that Thomas Dodd be ordered to look out for a proper person to take that part of his office.

31st March 1796 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

31st March 1796 LLC 15

The Court taking into consideration the long faithful service of Thomas Hall are unanimously of the opinion his salary of £80 per annum be continued during his life.

21 April 1796 LLC 15

Took into consideration Thomas Dodd's report of the several mines in Teesdale and Alston Moor also his opinions respecting the erecting a smelt work at Afton mine.

Took into consideration Robert Stagg's letter respecting the offer made him of the Company's letting Jeffreys mill.

The Court ordered that £30 should be given to the poor miners.

5th May 1796 LLC 15

Sold 1182 oz of North silver at 5/5 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£321 7s 2d).

19th May 1796 LLC 15

Sold 20000 pieces of lead to Messrs Lancaster & Maltby delivered at Newcastle at £19 fother refined and £18 15s slag. Quantity to each in proportion 12 to 8.

26th May 1796 LLC 15

The Court agreed to Thomas Dodd's request for the erection of an engine at Aston mine.

9th June 1796 LLC 15

Thomas Dodd having recommended to the Court the purchase of a sundry mines and estates in Tynebottom offered by Mr. Gilbert and that his opinion of the value thereof is two thousand pounds.

Resolved that Thomas Dodd be authorised to offer Mr. Gilbert the said sum of two thousand pounds for the purchase of the same.

7th July 1796 LLC 15

Sold 1970 oz of North silver at 5/61/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£578 9s 1d). The Governor, Deputy Governor and Mr Isaac Warner waited on Mr Ord and requested him to use his interest with Messrs Crawhall and Co to permit a level to be carried up through the White Heaps which he promised to pay every attention to when he went into that part of the country which he expected to do in August next.

21st July 1796 LLC 15

The Court were informed by Thomas Dodd that Mr. Gilbert had refused their offer and intended to put the mines up for public sale.

The Court having referred the consideration of Mr Fleck's letter of 28 May last to the committee of mines we the undersigned do report that we have inspected the account of the Mill agents delivery of lead to the Carriers and also the account of Mr Fleck's receipts and find ourselves unable to discover in what manner the difference between the accounts has arisen, and therefore recommend the Court to order Mr Stagg their principal Mill agent to go to Stella and compare the quantities of lead received by Mr Fleck with what has been sent from the different Mills from the year 1782 to the 22 April 1796 and endeavour to ascertain the cause of such difference; and we also recommend that Mr Stagg and Mr Fleck be desired to adopt a regular and effectual plan in order to prevent like mistakes in the future.

Thomas Weston	Isaac Warner
James Palmer	John Heylyn

18th August 1796 LLC 15

Sold 1538 oz of fine North silver at 5/33/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£434 5s 8d).

8th September 1796 LLC 15

Sold 1711 oz of fine North silver at 5/33/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£483 5s 6d).

Messrs Lancaster and Maltby on behalf of themselves and partners attended the Court this day and made purchase of 10,000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £17 per fodder for the refined common and slag lead. Payment to be made in all May, June and July 1797 in equal proportions. The counts to each in the proportion of 12 to Lancaster and Co and 8 to Maltby and Co.

At the same time they purchased all the Company's lead at Stockton say 1,300 pieces (more or less) at £17 10s that fodder to be weighed off directly and paid for by their acceptance of Leonard Raisbecks draft @ six months. The same proportion of 12 and 8 as above.

29th September 1796 LLC 15

Sold 1624 oz 15 pw of fine North silver at 5/41/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£462 3s 5d).

17th November 1796 LLC 15

Sold 2188 oz 15 pw of fine North silver at 5/41/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£622 6s 8d).

3rd December 1796 LLC 15

It was stated that about £17,000 will be wanted in December, January, and February, to complete the pays at the several works and acceptances of the Company.

15th December 1796 LLC 15

Sold 952 oz 5 pw of North silver at 5/51/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£275 2s 9d).

12th January 1797 LLC 15

Sold 1374 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/41/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£390 18s 11d).

30th December 1796 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor
Mr Richard Chester Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay	Mr Robert Hennell
Mr John Heylyn	Mr Thomas How Masterman
Charles Mills Esq	Mr James Palmer
Mr Charles Pearson	Mr Simeon Warner
Mr Isaac Warner	Mr Thomas Weston

14th February 1797 LLC 15

Sold 20000 pieces of lead to Lancaster & Maltby delivered at Newcastle at £15 10s fother refined and common and £15 5s for slag. Proportion to each 12 to 8.

23rd February 1797 LLC 15

Sold 1351 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/51/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£390 16s 4d).

28th February 1797 LLC 15

This Court being called to take into consideration the Receipts of the Duke of Northumberland's money and having read a letter received from Middleton Hewitson their agent on the subject there of and duly considered the same, they were of opinion that it was proper to continue the receipt there of at the present time.

23rd March 1797 LLC 15

Sold 717 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/73/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£215 4s 8d).

30th March 1797 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

6th April 1797 LLC 15

Sold 746 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/63/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£220 12s 8d).

Read over and affixed the Company's seal to the following leases from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital to this Company of mines and veins of lead ore on Alston Moor in the County of Cumberland dated the 19 November 1796 for 21 years from the several times at one fifth duty in ore.

Gudamgill Moss mine	from 1 May 1794
Gudamgill Burn Cross vein South End	from 2 January 1796
Middlecleugh Second Sun vein East End	from 19 April 1796
Rampgill	from 7 July 1796
Shawfoot	from 7 July 1796
Shawfoot Sun vein	from 7 July 1796
Shawfoot Cross vein	from 7 July 1796
Scaleburn Moss vein	from 7 July 1796

13th April 1797 LLC 15

Paid the Duke of Northumberland £7,500 for Robert Staggs Bills.
£600 paid to Ridley & Co for Robert Staggs Bills.

20th April 1797 LLC 15

It having been referred to the Committee of Mines to examine the list of the Christmas and Ladyday Bargains they made the following report.

We report that the Ladyday Bargains are let on an average 3/- a Bing less than the Christmas Bargains and 10/- per Ton less, and that the number of men employed at the different mines are 546 which are 52 more than last quarter.

Thomas Weston	Isaac Werner
Robert Hennell	James Palmer

29th April 1797 LLC 15

This Court was called to consider Thomas Dodd's report on a view of sundry mines in South Wales belonging to Mrs Quinnell.

The Court took the report into consideration and was unanimously of opinion that Thomas Dodd should endeavour to obtain from Mrs Quinnell and the several proprietors mentioned therein with any others he may think necessary the grant to the Company of the mining ground wanted and to correspond with Mr Franklin for that purpose sending a copy of his letter to the Court.

The Court confirmed their former directions to Thomas Dodd respecting the Teesdale mines to discontinue such of them as he does not consider worth working.

Joshua Stagg's salary to be raised £5 and to commence at Ladyday last which will make it £40 a year. John Cain's salary to be increased £5 making it £45 a year.

Isaac Hornsby the Court agreed to allow him 10/6 a week to be employed in their service and recommend to Thomas Dodd if he finds him capable, to improve him in mining knowledge with a view to render him more useful to the Company's concerns.

Joshua Stagg's salary was raised £5 to commence Ladyday last which will make it £40 per year.

John Dodd is to have 12s a week in future.

The Court agreed to a present of 20 guineas to be made to Thomas Dodd in consideration of his extra trouble.

Thomas Dodd to apply again about the whole of Gilbert's concerns and to agree for such part as mentioned to the Court in his letter of 28th inst. if the whole cannot be had on such terms as the Court shall approve.

4th June 1797 LLC 15

Sold 1067 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/31/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£299 2s 8d).

13th July 1797 LLC 15

Sold 1408 oz of North silver at 5/13/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£385 2s 0d).

10th August 1797 LLC 15

Sold 1569 oz 1 pw of North silver at 5/13/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£403 14s 0d).

It having been referred to the Committee of Mines to examine the list of the Midsummer Bargains they made the following report.

We the undersigned have examined the Midsummer Bargains let by Mr Dodd and do report that 470 men are engaged to be employed therein and that several bargains at Rampgill, Middlecleugh and Smallcleugh mines are let considerable lower than they were last quarter all of which is submitted to the Court.

Thomas Weston	Isaac Werner
James Palmer	Robert Hennell

31st August 1797 LLC 15

Sold 1253 oz of North silver at 5/21/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£345 12s 4d). The sum of £30 was subscribed toward the repairs of the road and bridge leading from Alston to Nenthead.

28th September 1797 LLC 15

Sold 1602 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/03/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£431 1s 5d).

Sold to Messrs Ellill & Maltby 10000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £16 fother for refined and common and £15 15s for slag. Quantity in proportion Ellill 12 Maltby 8.

19th October 1797 LLC 15

Ordered that copies of the Leases from Sir Thomas Blackett and William Bentham Esquire to the Company of Middlehope Fell and Ireshope Fell be sent this evening to Middleton Hewitson to be forwarded immediately to their agent Thomas Dodd.

2nd November 1797 LLC 15

Sold 1870 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/03/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£503 5s 0d).

30th November 1797 LLC 15

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 25th Instant requesting an allowance for coal and candles.

The Court agreed to an allowance of £20 per annum for these, and the same to be given to Robert Stagg.

7th December 1797 LLC 15

Sold 1001 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/03/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£268 0s 2d).

21st December 1797 LLC 15

Received a rough draft of the Tynebottom concerns from Thomas Dodd.

29th December 1797 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor
Mr Richard Chester Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay	Mr Jacob Hagen
Mr Robert Hennell	Mr Benjamin Lutkens
Mr Thomas How Masterman	Charles Mills Esq
Mr James Palmer	Mr Charles Pearson
Mr Isaac Warner	Mr Thomas Weston

18th January 1798 LLC 15

Took into consideration Thomas Dodd's report of the 11th July and 28th October last respecting the Company's mines and found that they were in an improving state.

1st March 1798 LLC 15

Took into consideration the balance of £378 18s 9d remaining on the Derbyshire mines and finding that nothing more is likely to come forward agreed that the sum of £370 be wrote off the Company ledger.

15th March 1798 LLC 15

Sold 2275 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/13/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£622 7s 9d).

29th March 1798 LLC 38

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

5th April 1798 LLC 15

Sold 2124 oz 5 pw of North silver at 5/13/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£581 0s 3d).

19th April 1798 LLC 15

Abstracts of the boundary's and dates of Manorgill and Wiregill leases were sent by post to Thomas Dodd.

26th April 1798 LLC 15

Maltby & Ellill bought 20000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £15 fother refined & common & slag. Each to receive 10000 pieces.

3rd May 1798 LLC 15

Resolved that Jacob Brown's salary (in account of his inability) be reduced from £35 to £25 and that £10 per annum be allowed to the assistant recommended by Thomas Dodd.

24th May 1798 LLC 15

Read over and affixed the Company's seal to the lease from Edward Townley Standish, John Townley and P E Townley Esq to the Governor and Company of premises in Stella in the County of Durham dated the 14th September 1797 for 18 years at the rent of £42 per annum.

31st May 1798 LLC 15

A letter was received from Robert Stagg respecting John Friend keeping a shop. The Court were of opinion that it would not interfere with their concerns.

John Friend was appointed Clerk to Robert Stagg at a salary of £40 per annum to commence Ladyday last. The salary of the late Thomas Friend be paid to his representative.

28th June 1798 LLC 15

Sold 1270 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/11/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£344 2s 11d).

12th July 1798 LLC 15

Messrs Maltby and Ellitt on behalf of themselves and partners attended the Court this day and made a purchase of all the Company's lead at Stockton say 4,000 pieces more or less at £15 per fodder in equal proportions to be weighed off directly and paid for by their acceptances of Leonard Raisbeck drafts at six months.

26th July 1798 LLC 15

Took into consideration Middleton Hewitson's letter of the 23rd inst. respecting the estimate of the expense for repairing the house at Stella £82 6s 2d the Court agreed to the said estimate but that it should not in the smallest degree exceed that sum.

Messrs Maltby and Ellitt on behalf of themselves and partners attended the Court this day and made a purchase of 10,000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £14 10s at that fodder for the refined common and slag in equal proportions of 5,000 each. Payment to be made in all January and all April.

2nd August 1798 LLC 15

Sold 1267 oz of North silver at 5/11/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£343 13s 3d).

9th August 1798 LLC 15

Mr Winterbottom's clerk attended the Court with Mr Barber attorney to John Gilbert with the deeds of the Tynebottom Estate, which were found properly, executed and a warrant for £1,400 was signed and delivered to Mr Barber being the purchase money for the same.

30th August 1798 LLC 15

Sold 1116 oz of North silver at 5/11/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£302 12s 6d).

20th September 1798 LLC 15

Sold 1611 oz 5 pw of North silver at 5/11/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£436 19s 10d).

18th October 1798 LLC 15

Joseph Stagg (the son of Robert Stagg) to be appointed to supply in part the place of the late Joseph Watson to take charge of the silver forwarded to Newcastle and to make up the operations monthly. Resolved that Joseph Stagg have the above appointment at a salary of £15 per annum.

Joshua Watson salary advanced from £35 to £40 per annum.

Jacob Brown salary advanced from £25 to £30 per annum.

1st November 1798 LLC 15

Sold 2059 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/03/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£550 8s 2d).

15th November 1798 LLC 15

The leases of the lead mines in the Parish of Hunstanworth in John Ord's liberty are received from Mr Ord and referred to the Committee of Mines to examine against next Court.

22nd November 1798 LLC 15

Messrs Maltby & Ellill bought all the company lead that may be at Newcastle by the 31st December, say 10000 pieces more or less at £17 fother. They also purchased all of the company lead at Stockton 396 pieces more or less at £17 that fother. Quantity in equal proportion.

£5,500 paid to the Duke of Northumberland for Robert Stagg's Bill

£3,000 paid to Ridley & Co for Robert Stagg's bill.

6th December 1798 LLC 15

Read over and affixed the Company's seal to the following leases from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital to this Company of Mines and Veins of Lead ore in Alston Moor in the County of Cumberland at one fifth duty.

Foreshield North Vein	from the 20 February 1798 for 21 years
Thortergill	from the 2 June 1798 for 21 years
Thortergill Sun Vein	from the 2 June 1798 for 21 years
Thortergill Cross Vein	from the 2 June 1798 for 21 years
Garrigill Burn Old Groves	from the 2 June 1798 for 21 years
Fletcheras	from the 2 June 1798 for 21 years
Bentyfield	from the 2 June 1798 for 21 years
Bentyfield Sun Vein	from the 2 June 1798 for 21 years
Crossgill Sun Vein	from the 2 June 1798 for 21 years

13th December 1798 LLC 15

Sold 800 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/03/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£215 6s 8d).

Read over and affixed the Company's seal to the following lease from John Ord Esq to this Company of Mines and Veins of Lead ore in the parish of Hunstanworth in the County of Durham called Bolts Law dated 12 May 1798 for 21 years at one sixth duty. A plan of the boundary is with Thomas Dodd.

28th December 1798 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor	
Mr Richard Chester Deputy Governor	
Assistants	
Mr Hagger Allis	Mr Jacob Hagen
Mr Robert Hennell	Mr Benjamin Lutkins
Mr Thomas How Masterman	Charles Mills Esq
Mr Charles Pearson	Mr Simeon Warner
Mr Isaac Warner	Mr Thomas Weston

3rd January 1799 LLC 15

Sold 1222 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/21/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£337 3s 0d).

21st February 1799 LLC 15

William Smith attended the Court. Who stated that all the Company's concerns at Gadlis were finally settled. The Court ordered him to send up the Company's books and Iron chest by sea the first opportunity.

14th March 1799 LLC 15

Mr Skottowe applied to the Court for leave to look at his lease of Shildon mines.

Ordered that the secretary wait on Mr Skottowe to acquaint him that himself or his attorney may look it over at the Company's house if they wish so to do.

28th March 1799 LLC 38

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also that an extraordinary dividend of two shillings and six pence per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

28th March 1799 LLC 15

Sold 1882 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/31/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£527 5s 0d).

11th April 1799 LLC 15

Sold 934 oz of North silver at 5/31/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£261 13s 5d).

30th May 1799 LLC 15

Messrs Maltby & Ellill bought 10000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £18 fother.

4th July 1799 LLC 15

Subscribed £200 to be lent to the trustees for the New Turnpike Road from Corbridge to Heddon on the Wall, the Company to receive 5 percent interest.

22nd August 1799 LLC 15

William Smith was given a gratuity of £120 on account of his trouble in collecting the Company's outstanding debts in Wales.

26th September 1799 LLC 15

Sold 4697 oz 5 pw of North silver at 5/81/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£1335 15s 7d).

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 21st Instant complaining of the bad conduct of John Cain. John Cain was discharged from the Company's service.

The Court agreed to allow Isaac Hornsby 4/- per week in addition to what he already receives making 14/6 per week on account of his going to the neighbourhood of Hexham to deliver wood to the carriers which he cannot do without keeping a horse, to commence at Mich's next. Received the following lease from Thomas Dodd purchased off Langhorn and Pearson for £84.

Nentsbury Green Cross vein 16th January 1796 for 21 years one fifth duty

Nentsbury Green Sun vein 19th October 1793 for 21 years one fifth duty

17th October 1799 LLC 15

The Court took into consideration the Report of the Committee of Mines to whom the letter from Thomas Dodd of the 11 inst. was referred with an account of letting the Michaelmas Bargains by which it appears that there is an increase of 2/6 per Bing and 16/- per Ton since last quarter and a letter was written to Thomas Dodd upon that subject.

31st October 1799 LLC 15

Sold 1404 oz of North silver at 5/81/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£399 5s 3d).

7th November 1799 LLC 15

Messrs Maltby & Ellill bought 15000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £20 fother.

14th November 1799 LLC 15

This Court was called to take into consideration a letter from Thomas Dodd respecting the intended clauses Mr Walton recommended to the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital to be put into future leases. And also read over the report of the Governor on meeting the Company's agents when on his own concerns at Stockton respecting the 44 pieces of lead unaccounted for by Leonard Raisbeck.

The Court deferred further consideration on the clause threatened to be included in future leases and were of opinion that the 44 pieces of lead were irrecoverable.

5th December 1799 LLC 15

Sold 1614 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/8 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£459 3s 11d).

27th December 1799 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor	
Mr Richard Chester Deputy Governor	
Assistants	
Mr Hagger Allis	Mr Robert Barclay
Mr Jacob Hagen	Mr Robert Hennell
Mr Benjamin Lutkins	Mr Thomas How Masterman
Mr James Palmer	Mr Charles Pearson
Mr Simeon Warner	Mr Thomas Weston

30th January 1800 LLC 15

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 25th January, with the state of the mines and the distress of the Company's workmen on account of the dearness and scarcity of bread. The court resolved that a sum not exceeding £50 be advanced for the present towards their immediate relief.

6th February 1800 LLC 15

Sold 1298 oz of North silver at 5/8 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£369 3s 9d).

13th March 1800 LLC 15

Sold 987 oz 12 pw of North silver at 5/8 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£280 16s 8d).

27th March 1800 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also an extra dividend of two shillings and six pence per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

The Governor also acquainted the Proprietors present that the Court of Assistants had reviewed that part of the Bye Law of the 6th December 1733 & were of opinion the pays then settled & continued since are very inadequate to the time taken up in conducting the Company's concerns & therefore submit it to this Court to fix the allowances as follows.

The Governor	£40 instead of £25
The Deputy Governor	£20 instead of £12 10s
Court of Assistants	£6 6s each meeting instead of £2 16s
Committee of Trade & Correspondence	£2 2s each meeting instead of £1 4s

Committee of Mines
Committee of Accounts

£2 2s each meeting instead of £1 4s
£2 2s each meeting instead of £1 4s

Upon a motion being made & seconded that the above alteration in the allowance do commence from Christmas last, the same was agreed unanimously.

10th April 1800 LLC 15

Sold 449 oz 2 pw of North silver at 5/8 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£127 14s 3d).

1st May 1800 LLC 15

A letter was read from J Skottowe Esq requesting the Court would surrender the lease of Shildon mine having been in a certain degree abandoned. The Court wrote to J Skottowe and their agent Thomas Dodd on the subject.

15th May 1800 LLC 15

A copy of the lease (Richardson to Earl Gower &c.) respecting part of Tynebottom Estate in Garrigill was sent by the Mail coach to Thomas Dodd by his request.

22nd May 1800 LLC 15

The following proposal was made to Mr Skottowe.

To offer Mr Skottowe one sixth duty for an extension of 21 years from the expiration of the present lease and engage to carry up a deep horse level to Jeffrys North and South veins and to make every other reasonable trial.

29th May 1800 LLC 15

Mr Skottowe's reply to their proposal was received.

"I have considered your last offer in regard to Jeffrys North and South veins and as I cannot conceive so confined a proposal can be more to my interest than your exertions have hitherto been. I shall beg leave to decline renewing the lease with the Company."

20th June 1800 LLC 15

Thomas Dodd attended and informed the Court that he had seen Mr. Rippon who was willing that the Company should have his mining ground as soon as he could disengage himself from the persons who were now working the mines and that Mr. Rippon would either let them the Mills or allow them to build new ones on his premises and Thomas Dodd further stated that Mr. Rippon's ground was so favourably situated for the Company that their having smelting works there would not only effectually answer every purpose of Acton, Jeffreys and Egglestone Mill but in his opinion it would be considerably more convenient and beneficial to the Company.

Thomas Dodd was therefore ordered to negotiate with Mr Rippon for a lease.

Thomas Dodd represented that some of the mines in Teesdale were promising and trials were making in others which were likely to do good that the prospects upon the whole were too flattering to be abandoned, that Egglestone Mill was confined to smelting ore from those mines.

Thomas Dodd said the Tynebottom prospects were good the level was nearly finished when he expected a considerable quantity of ore to be raised.

An Engine there being useless Thomas Dodd recommended it being made into a Corn mill and let if it would be useful to the neighbourhood and he thought it might be done for about fifty pounds. The Court approved the measure but directed Thomas Dodd to have an estimate of the expense, the amount of which they must know before they could finally determine.

Thomas Dodd said that the ore from Middlehope was exceedingly fine that three and three quarter Bings of Bouse ore would make a Ton of lead and that he believed it would sell for five pounds per Bing at this time.

Thomas Dodd assured the Court that the price of lead had no influence on the price of bargains, but that when lead sold high it afforded a fair opportunity of employing some men in Old workings which could not be wrought when ore was cheap, the bargains were let at present so as to produce the men 12s per week in consequence of the high price of provisions instead of 10s which is the customary wage.

The Court ordered Thomas Dodd to send 100 Bings of Middlehope ore to Whitfield mill and 100 Bings to Acton mill to be smelted alone so that a trial may be made of smelting and refining in preference to selling the ore and the Chief mill agent Robert Stagg is to make an exact account of the produce from each mill and a minute calculation of the charge of smelting, taking ore to the mills and carrying the lead from the mills to Blaydon with every possible attendant charge and it is the Courts wish that Robert Stagg should consult with Thomas Dodd on the correctness of the calculation.

Thomas Dodd says when ore buyers purchase 600 or 700 Bings of ore they generally advance the seller £200 or £250 as can then be agreed upon from the date of purchase. They make monthly advances to the miners to pay wages and at the conclusion of the year balance the account.

Thomas Dodd having represented to the Court the distressed state of the country for want of Corn ordered that Thomas Dodd be empowered to lay out £500 in conjunction with the cashier in grain to be delivered out to the workmen at cost price in part of their advances.

Jonathan Featherston's salary be advanced £5 per annum on account of his good services and extra duty in attending the washing of Middlehope Ore, to commence at Midsummer.

21 June 1800 LLC 15

Thomas Dodd confirmed Robert Stagg's estimate of the quantity of lead likely to be made in the course of the year end stating as the reason for the delay in getting the lead forward to Blaydon was on account of the carriers refusing to carry it without an advance in price which the agent was at length obliged to comply with.

A present of twenty guineas was given to Thomas Dodd for his extra trouble in attending the Court and his attention to the Company's concerns.

10th July 1800 LLC 15

Sold 364 oz of North silver at 5/8 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£103 10s 6d).

31st July 1800 LLC 15

Sold 1451 oz 5 pw of North silver at 5/8 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£412 14s 3d).

Resolved that 8 casks of Rice be sent to the North for the use of the Company's workmen.

The Court agreed that the mill at Tynebottom should be converted into a Corn mill at the expense of £55 according to Thomas Dodd's estimate.

28th August 1800 LLC 15

Sold 1333 oz 16 pw of North silver at 5/8 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£379 6s 2d).

4th September 1800 LLC 15

Sold 10000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle to Messrs Ellill and Walker at £21 10s fother. To receive 5000 pieces each.

18th September 1800 LLC 15

The Court came to the resolution of disposing of their old books and papers that are useless as under.

All the rough Court Minute books.

The copy of letters to the year 1780

The Gadlis and Derbyshire books having disposed of their concerns in those country's.

The Books of the White Lead Works, Isle of Man and Ireland.
 The ledgers all but the two last and North ledgers.
 The Operations book.
 Ordered the secretary do attend to see them weighed and ground down.

25th September 1800 LLC 15

The Court read over the new clause inserted in the leases from Greenwich Hospital and after due consideration agreed to accept the same.

Affixed the Company seal to the following leases from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital.

Middlecleugh 2nd Sun vein	22nd March 1800	21 years	1/5 duty
Middlecleugh 1st Sun vein East End	14th January 1798	21 years	1/5 duty
Middlecleugh 1st Sun vein	22nd March 1800	21 years	1/5 duty
Middlecleugh East End	22nd March 1800	21 years	1/5 duty
Longcleugh East	14th July 1798	21 years	1/5 duty
Carrs South End	14th July 1798	21 years	1/5 duty
Browngill	22nd March 1800	21 years	1/5 duty
Browngill Sun vein	22nd March 1800	21 years	1/5 duty

2nd October 1800 LLC 15

Sold 635 oz 2 pw of North silver at 5/8 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£180 12s 4d).

16th October 1800 LLC 15

Received £26 17s 0d off Carpenter of the Neckinger Mills for the Company's old books and waste papers.

23rd October 1800 LLC 15

The Court took into consideration Robert Stagg's letter of the 4th October with the operation of 100 Bings of Middlehope ore smelted at Whitfield Air Furnace and Acton Blast Hearth.

Ordered that the agents do charge the ore to the mills the same as last year namely 75/- and the lead at £20 per fother.

30th October 1800 LLC 15

Messrs Ellill & Maltby bought 10000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £22 fother.

13th November 1800 LLC 15

Sold 1354 oz 12 pw of North silver at 5/8 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£385 4s 3d).

27th November 1800 LLC 15

Read over a letter of Robert Stagg and Thomas Dodd of the 22 inst. respecting the trials of smelting at Whitfield and Acton Mills.

11th December 1800 LLC 15

Sold 753 oz 2 pw of North silver at 5/8 1/4 an oz to Messrs Masterman & Springall (£214 3s 6d).

29th December 1800 LLC 38

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

Mr Jacob Hagen junr made the Affirmation required by the Charter to qualify him to vote at the election.

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor
Mr Richard Chester Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Hagger Allis	Mr Robert Barclay
Mr Jacob Hagen	Mr Robert Hennell
Mr Benjamin Lutkins	Mr Charles Mills
Mr James Palmer	Mr Charles Pearson
Mr Simeon Warner	Mr Isaac Warner

8th January 1801 LLC16

A letter was read from Nathaniel Springal acquainting the Court that he had resigned his business to his son Thomas How Masterman to whom he requests a continuance of the Courts favours.

A letter was also read from T. H. Masterman soliciting a continuation of the Courts favours. Upon a motion being made & seconded that the Silver be sent to T. H. Masterman as formerly. It was carried unanimously.

*The 1794 Directory of London & Westminster & Borough of Southwark gives:—
Masterman & Springall, Goldsmiths & Jewellers, 1, White Hart-court, Gracechurch-str.*

15th January 1801 LLC 16

Ordered that the secretary do wait on the Lead Merchants with an extract of Robert Stagg's letter respecting the mixture of Slagg lead and desire they will give in writing their observations thereon for the Courts consideration.

29th January 1801 LLC 16

Sold 945 oz of North silver at 5/8 1/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£268 14s 11d).

12th February 1801 LLC 16

The Committee of Mines reported that they had examined the conveyance of the leases of mines purchase off Errington and Co and find it as far as they are able to judge properly executed but of 11 leases assigned over to the Company only 5 accompanied the conveyance which are as follows; Hangingshaw, Hangingshaw East End, Hangingshaw Cross vein, Capelcleugh Sun vein and Capelcleugh Cross vein.

The Court came to the resolution of advancing Joseph Stagg's salary from £15 to £30 per annum.

12th March 1801 LLC 16

Mr Maltby and Mr Ellill attended the Court but declined purchasing at present on account of the proposed duty on lead.

The Court took into consideration the additional tax proposed to be laid on lead exported from this Country and came to the resolution of sending a card to Lord Belgrave that the Governor and Deputy Governor intend waiting upon him tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock or any other day that may be more convenient to have information thereon.

19th March 1801 LLC 16

Sold 1056 oz 2 pw of North silver at 5/8 1/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£300 6s 10d).

26th March 1801 LLC 38

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants took into consideration the State of the Company's income and it appears that the average gain for the 3 last years amounts to £3361 after deducting the dividends & attendant expenses.

The Court agree to pay £336 it being 10 per cent on the above sum.

The following was agreed to be submitted to the General Court. That they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next. And also that an extraordinary dividend of two shillings and six pence per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

2nd April 1801 LLC 16

The Court ordered that 200 half barrels and 300 quarter barrels of gunpowder be forwarded to the Company's works.

They decided to advance Thomas Dodd's salary £100 per annum, and John Friend's salary advanced to £60 per annum, to commence from Michaelmas last.

9th April 1801 LLC 16

The salaries of Agents are to be:-

Robert Stagg cashier	£50 per annum
Joshua Stagg agent at Egglestone	£20 per annum
John Smith agent at Whitfield mill	£20 per annum
Matthew Johnson agent at Nenthead mill	£20 per annum
Joshua Watson agent at Acton mill	£20 per annum

16th April 1801 LLC 16

The following letter was written to Middleton Hewitson.

"That you dispose of any quantity of the Company's lead not to exceed 2,000 pieces without further orders from the Court and it is their request that should you have offers for a large quantity that you write the Court for their approbation."

The Court think it necessary to recommend great care to whom you sell lead as the present times require caution to avoid bad debts.

23rd April 1801 LLC 16

Sold 516 oz of North silver at 5/8 1/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£146 18s 1d).

30th April 1801 LLC 16

The Court came to the Resolution of allowing the mode of disposing of the Company's silver & agreed unanimously that in future Mr Masterman be offered the Standard silver of this Company at 2d per oz above the last price of new dollars. Mr Masterman attended the Court & agreed to the same.

The Court came to the resolution of advancing the wages of Isaac Hornsby to 23s a week, and John Dodd to 20s, to commence from Michaelmas last in lieu of the 50 guineas and £60 per annum mentioned in the Courts letter of the 2nd April, in consequence of a letter received from Thomas Dodd dated the 18th April stating that they were only weekly servants.

7th May 1801 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's report of the Ladyday Bargains and find they are let upon an average of 33/6 per Bing which is 2/6 less than last quarter and the number of men employed are 590 which is 20 men more than last quarter.

14th May 1801 LLC 16

The leases of Hudgill and Carrs East End were received from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital these were referred to the Committee of Mines.

21st May 1801 LLC 16

The Court affixed the Seal to the following leases from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital.

Carr's East of Nent from 15 December 1800 for 21 years at one fifth duty.

Hudgill from 20 November 1798 for 21 years at one fifth duty.

11th June 1801 LLC 16

Messrs Maltby & Ellill purchased 10000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £23 fother. Each to receive 5000 pieces.

18th June 1801 LLC 16

Thomas Masterman attended the Court and made the affirmation required by the charter to qualify as a proprietor. He had taken over from his father who had retired.

23rd July 1801 LLC 16

Sold 2826 oz of North silver at 6/0 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£847 16s 10d).

30th July 1801 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's report of Midsummer bargains and found they are let upon an average of 34s 3d per Bing which is 9d more than last quarter. That the number of men employed is 552, which is 38 men less than last quarter.

6th August 1801 LLC 16

The Court read over Thomas Dodd's letter of the 1st instant wherein he desires the lease of Wiregill mine, otherwise Eggleshope Beck to be forwarded to him immediately in order to have it renewed by the Earl of Darlington.

27th August 1801 LLC 16

Sold 1703 oz 15 pw of North silver at 6/0 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£511 2s 9d). Messrs Maltby & Ellill bought 15000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £23 fother.

17th September 1801 LLC 16

Mr Aslett bought 7500 pieces of lead deliverable at Newcastle at £23 fother. Affixed the seal of the Company to the lease and counterpart of several lead ore veins or mines and a Smelting Mill in the Parish of Stanhope in the County of Durham from Cuthbert Rippon Esq to the Governor and Company dated 26th August 1801 for 21 years paying £30 per annum for the mill and the ore at 1/6th duty.

21st September 1801 LLC 16

Sold 1991 oz 18 pw of North silver at 6/0 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£597 11s 4d).

15th October 1801 LLC 16

The Deputy Governor (Richard Chester) and Mr Simeon Warner are requested to wait on Mr Jopson agent to Thomas Dodd's attorney at Alston to enquire into the business respecting a Subpoena being served on Thomas Dodd in consequence of a Bill filed in Chancery relative to the mines purchased by the Company of Errington & Co.

22nd October 1801 LLC 16

Mr Robert Aslett bought 2500 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £24 fother refined and £23 10s for slag lead.

The Deputy Governor and Mr Simeon Warner waited on Mr Jopson and reported that they had conversed with him upon the business, and thought it advisable for the Court to write to Mr Errington on the subject.

29th October 1801 LLC 16

Sold 1911 oz 8 pw of North silver at 5/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£565 8s 10d). The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 16th inst. with the list of Michaelmas Bargains and find that they are let upon an average at 35/4 per Bing which is 1/1 per Bing more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 388 which are 20

more than last quarter. The Court wrote to Robert Stagg and Thomas Dodd to value ore at 95/- per Bing for the best and 85/- per Bing for the Cutting and the lead at £22 per ton.

3rd December 1801 LLC 16

Sold 1361 oz of North silver at 5/8 1/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£402 12s 4d).

10th December 1801 LLC 16

The Probate of the will with 6 codicils of Peter Staples late of Putney in the County of Surrey deceased under the seal of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury bearing date 14th November 1801, appointing Edward Coxe & Daniel Meilan Esrs the executors was exhibited & allowed.

28th December 1801 LLC 38

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor

Mr Richard Chester Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Hagger Allis

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Thomas How Masterman

Mr James Palmer

Mr Isaac Warner

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Benjamin Lutkins

Charles Mills Esq

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Thomas Weston

28th December 1801 LLC 16

Thomas Masterman appointed to the Courts committee of Mines and Workhouses.

31st December 1801 LLC 16

Sold 1253 oz 12pw of silver at 6/0 1/2 per oz to Thomas How Masterman

4th February 1802 LLC 16

Matthew Fleck's salary was advanced from £30 per annum to £60 per annum from Christmas last.

25th February 1802 LLC 16

Messrs Maltby & Ellill bought 6000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £26 fother for refined and common and £25 10s for slag lead.

The Court read over Thomas Dodd's answer to the cause of Errington and others against Randal and others, the Court are of opinion that the said answer is very proper.

4th March 1802 LLC 16

Sold 1510 oz 12 pw of North silver at 5/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£446 17s 8d).

The Court took into consideration the list of Christmas Bargains and find they are let upon an average of 37/- per Bing which is 1/8 more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 612 which are 36 men more than last quarter and more than half have been employed for the last ten years.

The Court wrote to Thomas Dodd asking to know why the Bargains should be so much advanced; he wrote that although the price per bargain may seem high it only makes the workmen 12s per week and whatever the price of provisions or lead may be that has no influence on the fluctuating state of lead mines had the lead been as low as £16 per Ton every Bargain deserves the price given.

25th March 1802 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also that an extraordinary dividend of two shillings and six pence per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

22nd April 1802 LLC 16

The Court agreed to allow Robert French the Company's wood buyer in the North a salary of £50 per annum including his expenses.

Ordered that the secretary do wait on Mr Smith the Courts solicitor and furnish him with particulars of the agreement of Wiregill mine between the Court and Lord Darlington and to desire his attendance on the Court on this day week and also that the secretary do make enquiry if Lord Darlington is in town or when expected.

29th April 1802 LLC 16

Sold 706 oz 2 pw of North silver at 5/9 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£203 0s 0d).

13th May 1802 LLC 16

James Collier a witness to the Spanham lease from Edward Constable Esq to the Company called and requested to have the lease delivered up, the Company having done with it.

Ordered that the secretary deliver it to Edward Constable Esq or to his order on delivering up the counterpart.

3rd June 1802 LLC 16

The Governor and Charles Mills Esq reported that they had waited upon Lord Darlington who informed them that he had every reason to think that the mines in Middleton would not be subject to Tythes as they had never paid any to which he had living witness of 90 years standing. A claim was set up above 100 years ago in which a verdict was obtained for Tythe on one mine but left the matter undetermined as no Tythe was paid, that the present claim and case lay before Council, on an observation from Mr Mills that the Company would probably be first called on for payment of the Tythe in question, and that as his Lordship wished them to refuse payment thereof he would be expected to indemnify the Company, which he said he was ready to do. Mention was made of applying to his lordship's solicitor to conduct the cause which his Lordship approved of, before parting his Lordship excused himself for not signing Wiregill lease by saying the present one had he believed 3 years to run and until the dispute with the Rector was settled he could not sign it, as circumstances might be altered.

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 10th February with the list of the Ladyday Bargains and find that they are let upon an average at 36/3 per Bing which is 9d less than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 622 being 10 more than last quarter.

17th June 1802 LLC 16

Messrs Maltby, Ellill and Aslett each purchased 5000 pieces of lead (15000) delivered at Newcastle at £28 10s for refined and common and £28 for slag.

1st July 1802 LLC 16

Sold 1358 oz 6 pw of North silver at 5/6 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£376 7s 3d).

29th July 1802 LLC 16

Sold 1294 oz 4 pw of North silver at 5/6 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£355 18s 4d).

12th August 1802 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letters of the 17th July with a list of Midsummer bargains and found they are let upon an average of 37s 3d per Bing which is 1s more than last quarter. That the number of men employed is 606, which is 16 less than last quarter.

19th August 1802 LLC 16

Sold 957 oz 6 pw of North silver at 5/5 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£261 5s 0d).

26th August 1802 LLC 16

The Probate of the will of Thomas Horne formerly of Bankside in the Parish of St Savior, Southwark, but late of Tottenham in the County of Middlesex, deceased under the seal of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury bearing date 1st April 1802, appointing Anthony Horne the son & Edward Janson the executors was exhibited & allowed.

23rd September 1802 LLC 16

Sold 862 oz 18 pw of North silver at 5/5 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£235 10s 0d).

30th September 1802 LLC 16

Messrs Ellill & Maltby each bought 5000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle £31 10s refined & common, £31 for slag lead.

7th October 1802 LLC 16

Messrs Ellill & Maltby each bought 4000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle £31 10s refined & common, £31 for slag lead.

28th October 1802 LLC 16

Sold 789 oz 6 pw of North silver at 5/5 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£215 8s 3d).

24th November 1802 LLC 16

This Court is a Special Court to receive their agent Thomas Dodd report respecting Lord Lowther's mineral concerns.

The Court examined Mr Dodd respecting Lord Lowther's mineral ground in what way it would be advisable to proceed to make trials in the event of the Court taking a lease and whether by proceeding in a gradual way it would be practicable to guard against the Company being at expense beyond £5,000 at any one time. Mr Dodd says the expense the first year in the formation of an establishment and employing about 20 men will not be more than £1,000. The Court desired Mr Dodd to wait on his Lordship to fix a time for some of the Gentlemen of the Court to wait upon him and to attend the Court tomorrow morning.

26th November 1802 LLC 16

Mr Dodd reports that he had seen Lord Lowther (about his mineral ground in Ravenstonedale) who agreed to wait a further time for the Courts consideration. Mr Dodd acquainted the Court that Mr Ord intended to advance the rent of Whitfield Mill and Coanwood Colliery to £200 per annum. The Court resolved that Charles Mills Esq with Mr Dodd should wait upon Mr Ord and endeavour to agree with him on the best terms they can.

Jonathan Featherstone had requested an advance in salary, it was advanced £5 per annum to make his salary £50 per annum.

30th November 1802 LLC 16

Resolved that Thomas Dodd on behalf of the Company make the following proposal to Lord Lowther of Lowther Hall in the County of Westmorland, on lease for 21 years from the 25th November all the lead mines or veins of lead ore or other minerals contained in the whole of his Lordship's mineral grounds in the Manor Ravenstonedale, Patterdale and the veins upon

Little Fell Slate in dispute, duty one fifth of clean washed ore to be delivered at the sundry mines and also any part or the whole of Hilton and Murton fells mineral grounds at one sixth duty.

The Court ordered that the Company's agents Robert Stagg and Thomas Dodd be directed to have the chimneys at mills made in a horizontal direction as soon as the season for the Company's concerns will permit.

A present of £100 was made to Thomas Dodd for his faithful and attentive services.

A present of £60 was made to Robert Stagg for his faithful and attentive services.

Mr Dodd reported that he had agreed with Mr. Ord on the part of the Company for his mill at Whitfield and the colliery for the term of 14 years from the expiration of the old lease at £150 per annum subject to Mr Ord's tenants being supplied with coal at a price not exceeding 6d per load at the pit.

9th December 1802 LLC 16

Sold 1349 oz 16 pw of North silver at 5/61/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£374 0s 1d).

30th December 1802 LLC 16

Sold 660 oz of North silver at 5/61/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£182 18s 3d).

31st December 1802 LLC 38

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor

Mr Richard Chester Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Hagger Allis

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Robert Hennell

Mr Thomas How Masterman

Charles Mills Esq

Mr James Palmer

Mr Charles Pearson

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Isaac Warner

Mr Thomas Weston

20th January 1803 LLC 16

Sold 552 oz 16 pw of North silver at 5/61/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£153 3s 2d).

10th February 1803 LLC 16

The Court read over the rough draft of the lease of Ravenstonedale and Hartsop from Lord Lowther which was approved.

3rd March 1803 LLC 16

Messrs Ellill & Maltby each purchased 3000 pieces of lead at £34 for refined £33 for common and £32 10s for slag, delivered at Newcastle.

17th March 1803 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 12th February with the list of the Christmas Bargains and find that they are let upon an average of 42/- per Bing which is three quarters of a penny per Bing more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 664 being 56 more than last quarter.

24th March 1803 LLC 38

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also that an extraordinary dividend of five shillings per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

28th April 1803 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 16th instant with the list of the Ladyday Bargains and find that they are let upon an average of 44/4 per Bing which is 2/4 per Bing more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 670 being 6 more than last quarter.

5th May 1803 LLC 16

Mr Fleck attended the Court and delivered an account of the quantity of lead at Stella.

14th May 1803 LLC 16

Mr Bainbridge attended the Court and informed them that Lord Lowther's solicitor had made some alteration in the lease of Patterdale &c. The Court agreed that the following note should be sent to his lordship by the secretary.

The Governor and Court of Assistants of the Lead Company request the favour of Lord Lowther to appoint a time that two of their body may have the honour of waiting upon him in relation to the lease of the mining ground in Ravenstonedale.

26th May 1803 LLC 16

Mr Bainbridge attended and reported that since last Court he had seen Lord Lowther, who had referred the settling of the lease to Mr Clarke at Stockton his Lordship's attorney.

The Court resolved that Mr Bainbridge and Mr Dodd should go over to Stockton and endeavour to settle the business with Mr Clarke.

28th July 1803 LLC 16

Sold 463 oz of North silver at 5/4 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£124 11s 0d).

11th August 1803 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letters of the 4th August with a list of Midsummer bargains and found they are let upon an average of 45s 8d per Bing which is 1s 4d more than last quarter. That the number of men employed is 676, which is 14 less than last quarter.

18th August 1803 LLC 16

Resolved to order their agents Robert Stagg and Thomas Dodd to be in London on Thursday 15th September.

15th September 1803 LLC 16

Mr Dodd and Mr Stagg were examined respecting the high price of the Bargains and they are desired to make an estimate of the price the Bargains might be reduced to for the consideration of the next Court.

19th September 1803 LLC 16

Thomas Dodd proposed the following.

A plan to go upon the working of the Governor and Company's lead mines and reduced into practice as much as the fluctuating business of mining will admit of taking place at Michaelmas next.

Suppose the present Bargains for raising ore to average at 45/- and in future to be reduced one fifth which is 9/- per Bing and will make the average price at Michaelmas next 36/-.

Admit the whole of the mines whilst this price is given to raise ore next year 8,000 Bings at 9/- per Bing reduced is £3,600

Suppose 20 fewer workmen to be employed in

Dead work next year at £40 per annum	£800
Suppose 40 men in wages in the whole of the Company's works to be reduced 3/- per week	£172
The number of workmen thus reduced will make less consumption of materials say	<u>£200</u>
	£4,772

Which the Court after full consideration approved of and instructed Thomas Dodd to carry it into effect.

When the lead markets are in such a state as to make every exertion to raise ore an object to the Court, the general plan may be varied for that end.

Allowing 5 Bings 4 cwt to make a Ton of lead including duty at 36/- per Bing including carriage of ore, smelting and carriage of lead to Newcastle will amount to £12 6s 2d.

Thomas Dodd and Robert Stagg were asked their opinion respecting an agent at Acton Mill, in the room of Joshua Watson deceased. They recommended to the Court that Joseph Stagg should reside at Acton to take care of the Smelting works until a proper person can be found which the Court approved.

Thomas Dodd recommended Robert Hayton to take the place of the late Jonathan Featherstone. The Court agreed to appoint Robert Hayton their Agent at a Salary of £40 per annum.

Thomas Dodd requested an assistant at Nenthead, the Court approved his son (Thomas) for that purpose.

Thomas Dodd requested that he may appoint someone to take care of the stores and he proposed to take one of the wagemen.

Joshua Stagg (by Thomas Dodd and Robert Stagg) requested that an assistant might be appointed under him at Eggleston which the Court thought unnecessary at present.

The Court came to the resolution of making a suitable compensation to Joseph Stagg and Thomas Dodd junior for their services to the Company.

The Court resolved to make a present of 20 guineas each to Robert Stagg and Thomas Dodd.

The leases from Lord Lowther and Lord Darlington were produced.

Caleb Willson is to serve all Ravenston Dale with candles and all Teesdale except 100 dozen per annum is to be supplied by Featherstone Humble.

27th October 1803 LLC 16

Mr Maltby & Co purchased 10000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle £30 fother.

3rd November 1803 LLC 16

Sold 383 oz 14 pw of North silver at 5/7 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£107 2s 7d).

4th November 1803 LLC 16

At a special Court held this day for the consideration of the statement taken from the Company books of the Company's profits and gains arising from their general concerns for the last 3 years ending 29th September 1802 was as follows.

1799 - 1800	£4,218	10s	1d
1800 - 1801	£10,355	19s	3d
1801 - 1802	<u>£17,980</u>	0s	5d
	£32,554	9s	9d
One third	£10,851	9s	11d
1/- on ever 20/- is	£542	12s	0d

Dividend due at Michaelmas is

£2,400, tax at 1/- on every 20/- is £120 0s 0d

Resolved that the 5 percent duty chargeable on the dividend due at Michaelmas last by the property Income Act should be paid by the Corporation.

10th November 1803 LLC 16

Thomas Preston & Sons purchased 5000 pieces of leads at £30 fother at Newcastle.
 Maltby & Co purchased 2000 pieces of lead at £30 fother at Newcastle.

17th November 1803 LLC 16

The Court affixed their seal to the lease from Lord Lowther of Patterdale &c. and from the Earl of Darlington of Wiregill.

1st December 1803 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letters of the 29th October with a list of Michaelmas bargains and found they are let upon an average of 37s 10d per Bing which is 7s 10d per Bing less than last quarter. That the number of men employed is 611, which is 45 less than last quarter.

8th December 1803 LLC 16

John Ellill purchased 5000 pieces of lead at £30 fother at Newcastle.

30th December 1803 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor

Mr Richard Chester Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Robert Hennell

Mr Benjamin Lutkins

Mr Thomas How Masterman

Charles Mills Esq

Mr James Palmer

Mr Charles Pearson

Mr Isaac Warner

Mr Thomas Weston

9th February 1804 LLC 16

Sold 472 oz 18 pw of North silver at 5/9 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£132 0s 4d).

15th March 1804 LLC 16

Sold to Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £30 fother.

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letters of the 4th February with a list of Christmas bargains and found they are let upon an average of 35s 5d per Bing which is 2s 5d per Bing less than last quarter. That the number of men employed is 596, which is 15 less than last quarter.

29th March 1804 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also that an extraordinary dividend of five shillings per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

3rd May 1804 LLC 16

The Court affixed their seal to the lease of Whitfield Mill and Coanwood Colliery for 14 years from 11th April 1804

10th May 1804 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letters of the 27th April with a list of Ladyday bargains and found they are let upon an average of 35s 5d per Bing which is the

same per Bing as last quarter. That the number of men employed is 624, which is 28 more than last quarter.

24th May 1804 LLC 16

Sold 925 oz 18 pw of North silver at 5/7 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£258 9s 7d).

2nd August 1804 LLC 16

Sold 1242 oz 18 pw of North silver at 5/5 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£336 12s 7d).

9th August 1804 LLC 16

John Ellill purchased 5000 pieces of lead at £30 fother at Newcastle.

16th August 1804 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letters of the 16th July with a list of Midsummer bargains and found they are let upon an average of 35s 6d per Bing which is 1d per Bing more than last quarter. That the number of men employed is 554, which are 70 less than last quarter.

The Court took into consideration the report of the Gentlemen on their visit to the North.

The Court increased the salary of their Agent John Bell his salary to be advanced £10 from £40 to £50 per annum.

Joseph Stagg to be appointed Agent at Acton mill and to assist his father as usual at a salary of £60 per annum.

Joshua Stagg's son (Joshua) appointed as assistant to his father at Egglestone mill at a salary of £30 per annum.

Thomas Dodd's request granted, instead of £20 per annum allowed for coals and candles, be considered as part of his salary £250 per annum.

Thomas Dodd (Junior) to have £20 as a present for his services in the present year and in future as assistant to his father £20 per annum.

Thomas Dodd to be informed when the Sunday school is opened the Court will contribute towards its support.

30th August 1804 LLC 16

Sold 964 oz 18 pw of North silver at 5/3 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£261 5s 9d).

6th September 1804 LLC 16

John Ellill purchased 5000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £30 fother.

James Stedman the accountant, on account of his ill state of health requested the Court would indulge him with a short time to go to Margate.

Resolved that the above request be granted him and that a warrant for £20 be signed and presented to defray his expenses.

27th September 1804 LLC 16

Sold 1122 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/3 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£297 0s 1d).

11th October 1804 LLC 16

Ordered that the secretary enquire whether Skottowe Esq is in town and to look into the lease of Flakebrigg mine respecting Eggleston Mill against next Court.

The Court took into account Robert Stagg's letter respecting his son Joseph Stagg's salary.

Joseph Stagg be allowed £75 for the time he has had the management of Acton mill since the death of Joshua Watson and that his salary be £60 per annum as Agent at Acton mill, independent of the £30 per annum to assist his father to commence from Michaelmas 1804.

John Dodd to be allowed 4s a week in addition to 20s to commence from Michaelmas 1804.

When the Sunday School is opened Thomas Dodd is to inform the Court which will contribute towards its support.

18th October 1804 LLC 16

Mr Maltby & Co purchased 5000 pieces of lead at £30 fother at Newcastle.

25th October 1804 LLC 16

Maltby & Co purchased 5000 pieces of lead at £30 fother at Newcastle.

1st November 1804 LLC 16

Sold 632 oz of North silver at 5/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£163 5s 4d).

8th November 1804 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd letter of the 20th October with a list of Michaelmas Bargains and find that they are let upon an average at 35/4 per Bing which is 2d per Bing less than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 544 which are 10 men less than last quarter.

29th November 1804 LLC 16

Sold 898 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/5 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£243 8s 3d).

13th December 1804 LLC 6

The Court having taken into consideration the present salary & allowance of the Secretary Resolved that his salary be increased to £250 per annum & the allowance for Coals & Candles £50 per annum to commence at Michaelmas last.

20th December 1804 LLC 16

Sold 424 oz 5 pw of North silver at 5/6 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£116 13s 4d).

28th December 1804 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor

Mr Richard Chester Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Hagger Allis

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Robert Hennell

Mr Thomas How Masterman

Charles Mills Esq

Mr James Palmer

Mr Charles Pearson

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Isaac Warner

Mr Thomas Weston

7th February 1805 LLC 16

John Ellill purchased 1000 pieces of lead at £37 fother.

28th February 1805 LLC 16

Sold 425 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/6 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£117 1s 8d).

14th March 1805 LLC 16

Sold Maltby & Co 1000 pieces of Common & Slag lead at £37 fother.

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letters of the 26th January with a list of Christmas bargains and found they are let upon an average of 36s 0d per Bing which is 8d per Bing more than last quarter. That the number of men employed is 560, which is 4 men more than last quarter.

28th March 1805 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 5 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also that an extraordinary dividend of five shillings per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

A motion was moved by Mr Futton & seconded by Mr Hennell junr that the Duty on the Property Act arising from the remuneration made to the Governor, Deputy Governor, and Court of Assistants be paid by the Company now & in future. The motion was "Resolved unanimously."

28th March 1805 LLC 16

Sold 1577 oz of North silver at 5/5 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£3421 13s 9d).

Sold John Ellill 3000 pieces of lead, 2000 refined at £38, and 1000 pieces of common at £37 fother.

4th April 1805 LLC 16

Maltby & Co purchased 3000 pieces of lead. 2000 pieces refined at £38 fother and 1000 slag and common at £37 fother.

2nd May 1805 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration the state of the Company's cash. Resolved that the 3 per cent reduced stock of £6145 be made up to £10,000 & that Messrs Barclays & Co be desired to purchase the same.

9th May 1805 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letters of the 27th April with a list of Ladyday bargains and found they are let upon an average of 36s 5d per Bing which is 5d per Bing more than last quarter. That the number of men employed is 608, which is 48 men more than last quarter.

16th May 1805 LLC 16

Sold 976 oz 5 pw of North silver at 5/3 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£256 4s 9d).

20th June 1805 LLC 16

Maltby & Co purchased 5000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £39 refined and £38 for common and slag.

1st August 1805 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of 17th July with a list of Midsummer Bargains and find that they are let upon an average at 36s 3d per Bing which is 2d per Bing less than last quarter, there are likewise 34 men employed at 60s per Bing, if they are averaged with the others it would make the Bargains 39s there are 561 men employed being 47 less than last quarter.

The Court resolved that Thomas Dodd and Robert Stagg should attend the Court on 12th September.

16th September 1805 LLC 16

In conference with Messrs Stagg and Dodd Thursday Sept 12, Saturday Sept 14, and Monday Sept 16. It appears by their report.

That the axle tree of the wheel at Egglestone Mill was broke and that a new wheel was necessary, but that the old wheel might be mended so as to do through the season.

Egglestone mill will smelt 400 Bings				
Nenthead	“	“	“	270 Bings
Acton	“	“	“	327 Bings
Whitfield	“	“	“	<u>300 Bings</u>
TOTAL				1,297 Bings

Messrs Skottow & Ltd. for Lord Crewe's trustees was about to grant a lease of their mineral ground and Acton mill to Easterby Hall & Co at the expiration of the Company's term which is in one and three quarter years.

That Stanhope mill was equally well situated for the Company as Acton mill, it has now 2 blast hearths a reducing hearth and a refinery and that there is room by either enlarging the present building or running up a new building to erect an air furnace which will render it equal in power to Acton mill say 327 Bings per month and a horizontal chimney if thought necessary may be built.

That the colliery at Whitfield was repaired and apparently to the satisfaction of Mr Ord at least Mr Dodd thought so from a conversation which he had with Mr Ord but Mr Ord reserved his final opinion until he had seen his agent Mr Stracker.

That all the mills are now in full working and 12000 pieces of lead will be made from the 1st August to the end of the year 6000 pieces of which will be got down to the wharf.

That the Company pay £75 per annum for peat moss at Acton. Stanhope Mill is £30 with liberty to cut peat moss free yet Mr. Stagg apprehends that fuel will be dearer at Stanhope than Acton.

That the bargains now let so as to allow the men 16s per week except a few wagemen who do not get more than 14s. The smelters from a late regulation are paid 15s per week.

The new discovered vein the particulars of which Thomas Dodd communicated to the Court in a note, is to be called Rampgill North Vein and bargains will be let at 22s and 23s a Bing.

That Earncleugh mine has a considerable quantity of Copper ore but it must depend on the price of copper and further trials whether it will answer working.

That the crushing machine answers very well and the men readily take the bargains.

That Greenwich Hospital smelts about 3000 Bings of ore in a year, which may produce 700 Fother of lead, Mr. Walton is very desirous of establishing a correspondence with the Company conceiving it would be of mutual advantage.

Thomas Dodd expects 10,000 Bings of ore will be raised this year say 8,500 free of duty, which will make 2,000 fother of lead.

Magistrates compel the miners to complete their bargains

That by Thomas Dodd residing at Stanhope and occasionally at Nenthead he will have the best means of inspecting the whole of the Companies business. Mr. Dodd rents a farm of about 30 acres at Stanhope, off the representatives of the late Mr. Rippon. Mr. Dodd is not anxious about moving but considers it will be beneficial to the Company.

That all men who contract for bargains work themselves, except in a few instances.

Joseph Stagg Agent at Egglestone requested the Court would increase his salary as he never charged anything for horse hire.

That Robert Hayton hoped the Court would consider his situation and add £10 per annum to his salary.

The Court Resolved that having considered Mr. Dodds former application to remove from Nenthead to Stanhope were of the opinion that no disadvantage could arise to the Company from his doing so.

That Mr. Stagg should endeavour to get the Old wheel at Egglestone mill immediately repaired and a New one made as soon as possible.

That Messrs. Stagg and Dodd be directed to make a second application to Lord Crewe's trustees for a new lease of Acton mill.

That Messrs. Stagg and Dodd be directed to have an estimate made by proper workmen of the expense of repairing the present buildings and works at Stanhope, and also a further estimate of the expense of erecting a new air furnace and horizontal chimney and to transmit the same

to the Court as soon as can be observing that the parties are willing to do the work at the sum estimated.

To raise Joshua Stagg's salary to £80 per annum.

That Robert Hayton's salary should be increased £10 per annum from Michaelmas next.

That a compliment of 20 guineas be presented to Messrs. Stagg and Dodd.

24th October 1805 LLC 16

Maltby & Co purchased 8000 pieces of lead at £39 refined and £38 common & slag at Newcastle.

31st October 1805 LLC 16

Mr Ellill purchased 4000 pieces of lead at Newcastle at £39 refined and £38 for common & slag.

7th November 1805 LLC 16

Sold 283 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/8 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£80 6s 9d).

14th November 1805 LLC 16

The probate of the will of the late William Ord Esq of Fenham in the County of Northumberland was exhibited and allowed.

21st November 1805 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letters of the 26th October with a list of Michaelmas bargains and found they are let upon an average of 36s 8d per Bing for 59 bargains which is 5 more than last quarter and at 55s and 60s for 27 bargains, and that the number of men employed is 548, which is 13 less than last quarter.

27th December 1805 LLC 38

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor

Mr Richard Chester Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Hagger Allis

Mr John Grove

Mr Robert Hennell

Charles Mills Esq

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Thomas How Masterman

Mr Charles Pearson

Mr Thomas Weston

13th February 1806 LLC 16

Mr Maltby solicitor to Mr Skottowe and Mr Lewis solicitor to Easterby & Co attended the Court this day respecting the Shildon mine being out of repair. The Court desired them to send their complaints in writing a copy of which is ordered to be sent to Thomas Dodd.

20th February 1806 LLC 16

The Court affixed the Company seal to the following leases.

East Flakebrigg in the Manor of Egglestone from Timothy Hutchinson dated 11th November 1805 for 21 years.

Egglestone Mill from William Hutchinson dated 11th November 1805 for 21 years at £30 per annum.

6th March 1806 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd letter of the 31st January with the list of the Christmas Bargains and find they are let upon an average at 39/- per Bing (which is 1d more

than last quarter) for 65 Bargains and 60/- for 29 Bargains and that the number of men employed are 577 being 29 more than last quarter.

At the Request of Thomas Dodd to have his son appointed to the place of store keeper. The Court agreed that he should have £10 per annum in addition to his present allowance of £20 as an assistant to his father to commence from Michaelmas last.

27th March 1806 LLC 38

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also that an extraordinary dividend of five shillings per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

27th March 1806 LLC 16

Sold 419 oz 18 pw of North silver at 5/8 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£119 16s 10d). The dividend at Midsummer was to be 10/- per share and an extra dividend of 5/- per share at Michaelmas next.

17th April 1806 LLC 16

The Court resolved to pay their agents property tax on their salaries.

8th May 1806 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd letter of the 19th April with the list of Ladyday Bargains and find that 63 Bargains are let upon an average at 39/4 per Bing which is 4d more than last quarter and that 24 Bargains are let at 60/- and that the number of men employed are 622 being 45 more than last quarter.

29th May 1806 LLC 16

A letter from R Maltby attorney to John Skottowe Esq was read requiring compensation for damages &c. at Shildon mine which was referred to Smith & Tilson the Company's solicitors to prepare a case for Councils opinion by next Saturday at 11 o'clock at which time the Court are to be summoned to attend to meet Mr Tilson.

12th June 1806 LLC 16

Mr Dodd according to the requisition of the Court attended, who with Mr Tilson were consulted about the demands of J Skottowe Esq about damages at Shildon mine when Mr Tilson read over a case for the opinion of Council. The Court desired he would endeavour to get the opinion of Mr Wood & Mr Parker by Thursday next.

13 June 1806 LLC 16

Mr Dodd delivered two letters to the Court one from John Dodd the other from Isaac Hornsby requesting an advance in wages, which were read and the Court came to the resolution to advance Isaac Hornsby's wages to 30/- per week to commence at Midsummer next.

The Court having advanced John Dodd's 4/- per week in 1804 see no occasion for any further advance.

Mr Dodd acquainted the Court that John Smith requested to have a room added to the end of his house. Mr Dodd was desired to inform him of the Courts disposition to accommodate him, by granting him liberty to look out for another house within a distance convenient from the mill and to let the other house.

A letter from the Bishop of St David's was read requesting that Mr Dodd or some other person might take a survey of his mineral ground in Wales.

The Court desired Mr Dodd to go into Wales as soon as convenient to survey the said grounds. The Bishop being at half the expense and agreeable to his own proposal.

A gratuity of 20 guineas was presented to Mr Dodd.

21st August 1806 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Mr Dodd's letter of the 19th July with the list of Midsummer Bargains, and find they are let upon an average at 40/6 per Bing for 54 Bargains and 60/- for 20 Bargains which is 1/2 more than last quarter and that the number of men employed is 564 being 42 less than last quarter.

25th September 1806 LLC 16

John Ellill purchased 10000 pieces of lead at £37 fother at Newcastle.

16th October 1806 LLC 16

The lease of Bolshaw mine was ordered to be sent to Thomas Dodd by Mail coach.

30th October 1806 LLC 16

Mr Smith the Courts solicitor attended and brought a note from Mr Lewis on behalf of the owners and Easterby & Co respecting Skottowe's mines, a copy of which was ordered to be sent to Thomas Dodd.

13th November 1806 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Mr Dodd's letter of the 25th October with the list of Michaelmas Bargains, and find they are let upon an average at 43/6 per Bing for 61 Bargains and 58/- the average of 23 Bargains which is 3/- more than last quarter and that the number of men employed is 545 being 19 less than last quarter.

4th December 1806 LLC 16

Mr Ellill purchased 10000 pieces of lead at £37 fother at Newcastle.
Ordered that the secretary do wait upon Mr Maltby to enquire wither Frederick Hall is appointed agent to Mr Skottowe's for settling the dispute of Shildon mines.

11th December 1806 LLC 16

The Court agreed with Thomas Dodd that the ore should be charged at the Mills for Bouse 130/-, Cutting 120/- and lead £32 per fother.

29th December 1806 LLC 38**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor	
Mr Richard Chester Deputy Governor	
Assistants	
Mr Hagger Allis	Mr Robert Barclay
Mr John Grove	Mr Jacob Hagen
Mr Robert Hennell	Mr Thomas How Masterman
Mr James Palmer	Mr Charles Pearson
Mr Isaac Warner	Mr Kilpin Warner

15th January 1807 LLC 16

The Court came to the resolution of making their return to the property tax office as under.

The aggregate sum of 3 years 1803, 1804 & 1805	£71,416	1s	1d
Average	£23,805	7s	0d

12th February 1807 LLC 16

Mr Tilson attended and acquainted the Court that Mr Hall had called upon him respecting Mr Skottowe's mines. The Court desired Mr Tilson to write to Mr Bainbridge and Thomas Dodd on the subject.

The Court took into consideration the statement of their income as delivered in to the Commissioners of £23,805 7s 0d and find that it is overrated.
Ordered that the secretary do deliver in an amended statement amounting only to £15,586 14s 1d.

The Court took into consideration Mr Dodd's letter of the 24th January with the list of Christmas Bargains, and find they are let upon an average at 47/7 per Bing for 74 Bargains which is 4/1 per Bing more than last quarter and that the number of men employed is 592 being 47 more than last quarter.

19th February 1807 LLC 16

Mr Tilson attended the Court and acquainted them that he had received a note from Mr Lewis (Mr Hall's attorney respecting) the arbitration of the damages at Mr Skottowe's mines, the Court desired Mr Tilson write to Mr Thomas Dodd on the subject.

26th February 1807 LLC 16

Ordered that the lease of Manorgill mine under the Earl of Darlington which expired 20 October 1805 be sent to Thomas Dodd in order to be renewed.

12th March 1807 LLC 16

Mr Tilson attended the Court and delivered a note from Mr Lewis which mentions his having instructions from Easterby Hall & Co to commence an action against the Company for damages. The Court desired Mr Tilson to see Mr Lewis thereon.

26th March 1807 LLC 38

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also that an extraordinary dividend of five shillings per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

And that the property duty shall not be deducted but paid by the Company.

9th April 1807 LLC 16

The secretary reported that he had received a certificate No 232R of assessment on the Company's return under scheduled for the year ending the 5th April 1807 amount £1558 13s 4d being 10% on £15586 14s 1d the average profits of £1803,4, and 5.

23rd April 1807 LLC 16

Paid the Duke of Northumberland £12,636 17s 8d for Joseph Staggs bill.

30th April 1807 LLC 16

John Ellill purchased 5000 pieces of common lead at £33 fother at Newcastle.

14th May 1807 LLC 16

Mr Tilson read over the copy of the Bill filed by Mr Skottowe in Chancery Mr Dodd was examined upon several matters relative thereto.

The Court took into consideration Mr Dodd's letter of the 18th April with the list of Ladyday Bargains, and find they are let upon an average at 44/- per Bing for 66 Bargains which is 3/7 per Bing less than last quarter and that the number of men employed is 581 being 11 less than last quarter.

23rd May 1807 LLC 16

Mr Tilson and Mr Dodd attended the Court, when Mr Tilson read over the Company's and Mr Dodd's answer to Mr Skottowe's Bill in Chancery.

The Company's answer was signed by the secretary and sealed with the Company's seal and Mr Dodd's answer was signed by him, both which were delivered to Mr Tilson.

The following instructions for Mr Dodd were agreed to.

If Mr Hall should on Mr Dodd's return be desirous to renew the subject of arbitration with him the Court direct Mr Dodd to treat it with every possible caution and reserve, and particularly not to assent to any measure without first consulting the Court, and requiring Mr Hall to state his propositions in writing, that he Mr Dodd, in such an event transmit them to the Court. Mr Dodd will observe that the Court are determined not to sell Boltshaw mine to Mr Hall while the business in dispute is pending in Chancery.

The Court direct Mr Dodd to reduce the price of the Bargains at Midsummer at least 2/- per Bing and those by the Ton and Fathom in proportion as also the wagemen and the Court further depend on Mr Dodd's particular attention to this point at all future periods.

If the ore at Cross Fell mine &c. &c. should be offered for sale Mr Dodd is desired to acquaint the Court with the price asked but not to make any proposal for purchasing it.

Thomas Dodd is also desired to make particular enquiry into the quality of the gunpowder furnished by Mr. Wakefield and Co. and to report the same to the Court after he shall have compared its powers with the parcel ordered to be sent from London. Also to send up Mr Wakefields invoice of the last parcel delivered by him.

The floor and Bingsteads at Acton mill are to be repaired and made good as also the mines to be in a state to be given up before the expiration of Mr Skottowe's lease.

The duty ore which may be due to Mr Skottowe at the expiration of the lease since Michaelmas last to be tended to Mr Skottowe's agent and delivered up to him upon his producing his authority and giving a proper receipt for the same, or to be settled for in the usual mode at his option.

A schedule to be taken of all the materials at Acton and Jeffrys mill as also at Shildon and Jeffrys mine that are the property of the Governor and Company by the mill and mine stewards after which Mr. Dodd will consult with Mr. Bainbridge as to the mode of proceeding in offering them for sale to Mr. Hall.

Ordered that Mr Dodd have a fair copy of the foregoing instructions delivered to him, also the copy of Mr Skottowe's lease.

The Court came to the resolution to present Mr Dodd with 20 guineas as a gratuity.

28th May 1807 LLC 16

Sold 661 oz of North silver at 5/7 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£184 10s 10d).

The Court agreed to increase Thomas Dodds Sons salary by £10 per annum to £40.

18th June 1807 LLC 16

Mr Tilson attended the Court and read over the declaration against the Company by Easterby Hall & Co for damages done at their mine called Ramshaw, which Mr Tilson was ordered to answer.

23rd July 1807 LLC 16

Since last Court Mr Tilson's clerk called at the office requesting all the leases concerning Shildon mines &c. when the following leases (expired) were sent to Mr Tilson to be forwarded to him at Durham.

Honourable E Montagu and others
John Ord
Coulson Skottowe
Lord Crewe's trustees
Thomas Skottowe

Moiety of Ramshaw and other mines
Moiety of Ramshaw and other mines
Counterpart of lease
Counterpart of lease
Linbank

Coulson Skottowe
Skottowe
Joseph Wares lease of
C Skottowe
Wilkinson & Partners lease of

Boltshope
Draft of a lease
Jeffry's
Linbank
Acton Low Mill

30th July 1807 LLC 16

Mr Tilson waited on the Court and acquainted them that Frederick Hall had withdrawn the record of action against the Company at Durham on the 24th instant.

6th August 1807 LLC 16

John Ellill purchased 15000 pieces of lead at £28 fother.

27th August 1807 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of 29th July with a list of the Midsummer Bargains and find that they are let upon an average at 42/3 per Bing for 53 Bargains which is 1/9 less than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 498 being 83 less than last quarter.

8th October 1807 LLC 16

Maltby & Co purchased 10000 pieces of lead at £26 refined and £25 common at Newcastle.

15th October 1807 LLC 16

Maltby & Co purchased 5000 pieces of lead at Newcastle at £26 refined and £25 common.

29th October 1807 LLC 16

Mr Tilson attended the Court and read over several letters from Mr Bainbridge respecting some claims by Frederick Hall at Boltshaw mine. Mr Tilson was ordered to write Easterby Hall & Co on the subject.

12th November 1807 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of 27th past with a list of the Michaelmas Bargains and by the report of the Committee of Mines find that they are let upon an average at 42/7 per Bing for 83 Bargains which is 4d more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 494 being 4 less than last quarter.

28th December 1807 LLC 38

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor
Mr Richard Chester Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Hagger Allis	Mr Robert Barclay
Mr Jacob Hagen	Mr John Hillersdon
Charles Mills Esq	Mr James Palmer
Mr Charles Pearson	Mr Isaac Warner
Mr Thomas Weston	Mr Kilpin Warner

11th February 1808 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of 23rd January with the list of the Christmas Bargains and find that they are let upon an average at 41/11 per Bing for 79 Bargains which is 8d less than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 500 being 6 more than last quarter.

4th February 1808 LLC 16

John Dodd requested an advance of wages from 24s to 30s per week. The Court agreed to allow him the same to take place from Ladyday next.

25th February 1808 LLC 16

Sold 905 oz of North silver at 5/5 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£245 2s 10d).

The Court came to the resolution of making their returns to the property office as under the average of 1804, 1805, and 1806, three years.

£46,986 15s 6d

Average £15,662 5s 2d

(The Company were to pay 10 percent tax so they paid £1,566 4s 6d)

24th March 1808 LLC 38**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also that an extraordinary dividend of five shillings per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

And the Property Duty shall not be deducted but paid by the Company.

14th April 1808 LLC 16

Messrs Smith and Tilson's clerk attended the Court and produced a letter from Mr Bainbridge to them respecting repairs at Boltshaw Bingsteads &c. which was read. The Court desired Mr Tilson would answer the same in such manner as he should think right.

5th May 1808 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letters of the 16th April with a list of Ladyday bargains and found they are let upon an average of 32s 10d per Bing for 86 bargains which is 3s 1d less than last quarter. That the number of men employed is 514, which is 14 more than last quarter.

12th May 1808 LLC 16

Mr Tilson informed the Court that he had corresponded with Mr Bainbridge and Mr Dodd respecting the suit in law with Mr Hall and that no further proceedings had taken place.

19th May 1808 LLC 16

Mr Tilson informed the Court that action had been commenced against the Company by Mr Skottowe.

26th May 1808 LLC 16

Sold 980 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/5 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£265 13s 2d).

2nd June 1808 LLC 16

Maltby & Co purchased 5000 pieces of common lead at £25 fother at Newcastle.

16th June 1808 LLC 16

Ordered 100 half Barrels of Gunpowder to be sent to the Company's works in the North.

23rd June 1808 LLC 16

Sold 456 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/5 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£123 14s 7d).

30th June 1808 LLC 16

Mr Tilson informed the Court that Mr Skottowe had commenced an action against the Company for not employing 8 pick men &c. according to the tenor of the lease.

7th July 1808 LLC 16

Maltby & Co purchased 5000 pieces of common lead at Newcastle at £27 fother.

21st July 1808 LLC 16

Sold 967 oz of North silver at 5/5 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£261 18s 5d).
Preston & Co purchased 3000 pieces of lead refined at £31 fother, common & slag at £30 fother.

3rd August 1808 LLC 16

The Court is a special Court summoned by order of the Governor to view the list of 48 named for the special jury on the trial at Durham, Doubleday and others and Skottowe at the Governor and Company.

The above list was taken into consideration and the Court struck out 9 names and delivered the list back to Mr Tilson's clerk who attended the Court.

4th August 1808 LLC 16

Letter sent to Joseph Stagg.

11th August 1808 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration the case and circumstances of the accountant James Stedman.

Resolved unanimously that James Stedman appear from ill health incompetent to discharge the duties of his situation and that it is expedient that he quit the Company's service, and that it be referred to a Court to be held on Monday next to consider the propriety of making him an annual allowance upon his retirement.

15th August 1808 LLC 16

James Steadman be allowed seventy pounds per annum during his life on his retirement from 29 September next having been in their employment for 26 years.

Resolved unanimously that the report of Mr Masterman be approved.

Resolved unanimously that the thanks of the Court be given to Mr Thomas How Masterman for the readiness with which he undertook to go to Newcastle on the Company's concerns and for the abilities and zeal which he has displayed in executing the business entrusted to him.

Resolved unanimously that a piece of plate valued at £100 be presented to Mr Thomas How Masterman for the great services he has rendered this Company in his late journey to Newcastle &c.

Resolved unanimously that a copy of the above resolution be transmitted to Mr Masterman in a letter signed by the Governor, which was written accordingly.

18th August 1808 LLC 16

The Court took into consideration the state of the Company's cash. Resolved that £8000 be laid out in Exchequer Bills and that Mr Barclay be desired to purchase the same.

A letter was received from Mr Masterman of the 17th inst which was ordered to be entered in the fair minutes.

White Hart Court 17th August 1808

Gentlemen

I am particularly gratified in the consideration that my journey has proved satisfactory to you & not a little flattered by the very handsome terms in which you have been pleased to convey your sentiments on the occasion. The accompanied marked liberality claims my warmest

acknowledgements conceiving that my labour were amply compensated by the enjoyment of a most delightful journey.

I am Gentlemen

with much respect

very sincerely yours

Thomas How Masterman.

Joseph Stagg is appointed to succeed his late father Robert Stagg senior, as Cashier and Superintendent of all the Company's Smelting works of washing the ore and of the ore and lead carriers and forwarding the lead from several mills to Blaydon with a house to live in.

25th August 1808 LLC 16

A committee was appointed to visit Boltshaw mine, consisting of Messrs. Charles Pearson and John Hillersdon, and that Mr. Masterman be asked to accompany them.

27th August 1808 LLC 16

Mr. Hillersdon could not go but the Court asked Mr. Pearson and Mr. Masterman to go anyway.

1st September 1808 LLC 16

The following leases were received from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital.

Thortergill Syke North vein	Thortergill Syke
Smallcleugh Cross vein	Rampgill Sun vein
Capcleugh	Cowslitts
Cowslitts Cross vein	Cowhill
Hangingshaw Cross vein	Scaleburn
Scaleburn Cross vein	Capcleugh Cross vein
Coopers Dykehead	Rampgill 2nd Sun vein
Tynebottom West of Tyne	Longcleugh West End

All being 1/5 duty ore except Tynebottom which is 1/6 duty.

Wrote to Thomas Dodd about the renewal of the following mines.

	Expires
Longholehead	1 July 1809
Rampgill Sun vein or New Groves	2 February 1809
Middlecleugh	1st July 1809
East Flakebrigg (Timothy Hutchinson)	6th October 1810

29th September 1808 LLC 16

Sold 1217 oz 19 pw of North silver at 5/5 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£329 17s 3d).

3rd October 1808 LLC 16

Mr Tilson reported that proceedings at Durham were concluded except for the final decision.

6th October 1808 LLC 16

Charles Deane was appointed accountant to replace James Steadman who retired, at a salary of £60 a year.

7th October 1808 LLC 16

The Court thanked Messrs. Pearson and Masterman for visiting the Company's works in the North, each presented with a piece of plate valued at 10 guineas.

13th October 1808 LLC 16

Preston & Co purchased 5000 pieces of lead at Newcastle at £40 refined and £39 common the proportion 2000 pieces refined and 3000 pieces common.

John Ellill purchased 3000 pieces on the same terms as Preston & Co.

17th November 1808 LLC 16

Mr Tilson attended the Court informing them he had received a letter from Mr Walton the arbitrator at Durham who informed him that the business was put off for some time longer. The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 31st October with a list of Michaelmas bargains and found they are let upon an average of 37s per Bing for 88 bargains which is 2 more than last quarter that the number employed are 576 being 70 more than last quarter.

15th December 1808 LLC 16

Joseph Stagg delivered his bond of security of £1000. He was examined by the Court. He was further examined on the Saturday 17th, Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th, he was given £21 for expenses.

2nd January 1809 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor

Mr Richard Chester Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Hagger Allis

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Robert Hennell

Mr John Hillersdon

Mr Thomas How Masterman

Charles Mills Esq

Mr James Palmer

Mr Isaac Warner

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr Thomas Weston

2nd January 1809 LLC 17

Thomas Masterman appointed to the committee of Trade and Correspondence (previously on the accounts committee).

John Hillesdon is appointed to the Committee of accounts.

23rd February 1809 LLC 17

The Court came to the resolution of making their returns to the property tax office the average profits of the years 1805, 6, and 7, as £7,936 9s 9d per annum.

2nd March 1809 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 13th February with the list of Christmas Bargains and find they are let upon an average at 38/7 per Bing for 87 Bargains which is 1/7 more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 601 which is 25 more than last quarter.

Mr Tilson attended the Court and was ordered to look into the title deeds (which were delivered to him) of Weardale mines respecting the claims of the Bishop of Durham on the Company instead of the duty ore.

9th March 1809 LLC 17

Mr Tilson attended the Court respecting Col Beaumont's account of charges on the Weardale mines. He was ordered to procure Councils opinion on the deeds of assignment of said mines.

30th March 1809 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also that an extraordinary dividend of five shillings per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

And the Property Duty shall not be deducted but paid by the Company.

30th March 1809 LLC 17

The Court having considered the report of the Committee of Accounts and Mines wrote a letter to Joseph Stagg.

13th April 1809 LLC 17

Joseph Stagg's brother Robert be appointed Agent at Stanhope Mill agreeable to the Courts letter of 30th March at a salary of £150 per annum to commence from Ladyday last.

Resolved that John Friend do quit the Company's service at Midsummer next having no occasion for a bookkeeper in the country as their accounts will in future be kept in London and that his salary be paid him to that time.

Mr Tilson attended the Court and delivered the opinion of Sir Samuel Romily on the case of Col Beaumont's claim of £5,115 11s 4d as the Company's proportion of the Bishop of Durhams duty ore &c.

20th April 1809 LLC 17

Mr Kilpin Warner and Mr Thomas Weston examined the lease of Mannergill mines, in consequence of the Courts order to the Committee of Mines and found that it was agreeable to the usual tenor of leases of mines held under Lord Darlington. They recommended to the Court to keep up the attention of their agents to the terms contained in their leases to guard against dilapidation's and forfeitures.

11th May 1809 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of 29th April, with the list of Ladyday bargains find they are let upon an average of 38s 4d for 88 bargains which is 3d less than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 642 being 41 more than last quarter.

18th May 1809 LLC 17

The Company seal was affixed to the lease of Mannergill mines under Lord Darlington.

25th May 1809 LLC 17

Mr Tilson attended the Court and read a letter he had received from Mr Bainbridge respecting the arbitration with Mr Skottowe.

1st June 1809 LLC 17

100 full and 50 half barrels of gunpowder are to be sent to the Company's works.

8th June 1809 LLC 17

Mr Tilson attended the Court and read over two awards from Mr Walton respecting Skottowes mines, which papers he took back with him.

22nd June 1809 LLC 17

John Ellill purchased 3000 pieces of common lead delivered at Newcastle at £34 fother. (In the Times newspaper dated 7th September 1809 John Ellill of Queen street Cheapside, lead merchant was declared bankrupt. W. Preston was declared bankrupt in the Times dated 21st February 1810. The minutes of the court record attendance at creditors meetings of both these individuals)

29th June 1809 LLC17

Mr Watson waited upon the Court respecting the Chimneys at Stanhope Mill. He was desired to call upon Mr Shan the other trustee to consult with him about the interest the expect for building Horizontal chimneys.

13th July 1809 LLC 17

Mr Barclay and Mr Masterman waited upon Mr Watson and Mr Shan trustees to Cuthbert Rippon respecting the Horizontal chimneys at Stanhope Mill, who reported that they had seen Mr Watson of the Bank Buildings, on the subject of the damages &c. done at Stanhope by the Mill and that the trustees of Mr Rippon proposed to receive 15 per cent upon the amount that the trustees were ready to lay out on building horizontal chimneys which are estimated to cost about £1,000 or to accept 5 per cent provided they received half the savings of lead collected in the chimneys, on one of these propositions being agreed to by the Court Messrs Barclay and Masterman think the trustees would be induced to wave all considerations of damages already done to the estate.

That it be referred to Messrs Barclay and Masterman to agree with the trustees of the late Mr Rippon for building a Horizontal chimney at the mill at Stanhope and that they be requested to wait on Mr Watson on behalf of the trustees whilst the Court sits.

Mr Barclay and Mr Masterman further report that they have agreed on behalf of the Company with Mr Watson on behalf of the trustees as follows. That the Trustees or Mr Rippon erect Horizontal chimneys at Stanhope Mill (which it is supposed will cost from £800 to £1,000) at their expense and the Company agree to pay a rent of £15 per cent for the same to be paid in the first instance in proportion as the money is laid out.

That the Company have an agreement for the above prepared and sent to the trustees for their approbation.

Mr Barclay and Mr Masterman were requested to order Mr Tilson to prepare a rough draft of agreement as above.

Mr Tilson waited on the Court and acquainted them that Skottowes solicitors had given him notice that they are taxing the costs &c. and that the money is expected to be called for directly.

27th July 1809 LLC 17

Sold 305 oz 12 pw of North silver received from Whitfield Mill at 5/9 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£87 17s 2d).

3rd August 1809 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 15 July, with the list of Midsummer bargains find they are let upon an average of 39s 5d for 81 bargains which is 1s 1d more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 620 being 22 less than last quarter.

21st September 1809 LLC 17

Maltby & Co purchased 15000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £28 fother refined and £27 fother common.

Preston & Co purchased 5000 pieces of lead on the same terms.

5th October 1809 LLC 17

Maltby & Co purchased 10000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle £31 refined and £30 common per fother.

Preston & Co purchased 5000 pieces of lead under the same terms.

9th October 1809 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration a letter received from Robert Bainbridge respecting a surcharge made by the assessor of the Property Duty upon the Company Mills & Mines in the Parish of Bailwicke Park & Forest of Stanhope in Darlington Ward, County Durham.

	Your Estimate	Income thereon
Schedule A & D mines & Mills	0 0 0	£33 000

Dated 20 Sept 1809 Day of Appeal Tuesday 17th October 1809

at the Justice Room in Darlington at 11 o'clock at noon. Mr Usher Surveyor

Likewise a surcharge for Middleton & Eggleston in Darlington Ward, Durham County for £10 000 Increase of profits.

Mr Masterman is desired to wait on the Commissioner of the Property Tax in London with Mr Bainbridge's letter & the paper of the surcharge to lay them before the Board to request their instruction thereon.

19th October 1809 LLC 17

Mr Barclay & Mr Masterman report that they with Mr Tilson met Mr Watson & Mr Styan on the subject of the damages &c of the Chimnies of Stanhope Mill but Mr Styan not being prepared to give his opinion a meeting was agreed to take place on the 25th inst.

Mr Barclay & Mr Masterman further report that as it was considered necessary to ascertain the amount of damages as soon as possible they wrote a letter to Joseph Stagg a copy of which they laid before the Court.

The Deputy Governor & Mr Masterman report that they waited on Mr Winter at the Tax office, Somerset House, accompanied by Mr Jennings one of the Commissioners of Property Tax for the City of London & stated the circumstances of the assessment made on the Company in the Country when Mr winter suggested that a letter should be written to him by the Court stating the case

28th October 1809 LLC 17

The answer from the Board of Taxes was this day received Viz.

by No. IV 5th Rule in the Proviso thereto it is directed, that the assessment shall be made either where the Mines are situate or the produce thereof manufactured. The Rule allowing in certain cases the assessment to be made where the General Concerns are managed does not extend to mines.

See No. IV Rules first in Proviso. In the Contemplation of the Act this Company is not a Trading Company.

It is the opinion of this Court that it is necessary one of the Court should go down to Darlington.

Mr Barclay and Mr Masterman report that the trustees of Mr Ripon have agreed to indemnify the Governor and Company from all claims for damages that may have arisen at Stanhope mine or mill for the sum of £50 to be paid to the trustees that they Mr Barclay and Mr Masterman have agreed on behalf of the Company that one thousand pounds shall be expended by the Company in the building of Horizontal chimneys, enlargements, repairs &c. *(Agreement with the trustees of Mr Rippon for the above was executed 15 November 1810 and a warrant for £50 signed the same day)*

2nd November 1809 LLC 17

Mr Rivington purchased 2000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle £33 refined and £31 common per fother.

Resolved That the minute of the Court of the 13 July last respecting the Horizontal chimneys with Rippons trustees be rescinded in consequence of the plan agreed between Mr Barclay and Mr Masterman and the trustees of 28 October.

9th November 1809 LLC 17

Mr Alderson the Company's agent at Stella had his salary raised by £20 so making it £80 per annum.

A letter was sent to Middleton Hewitson.

16th November 1809 LLC 17

Pursuant to minute of 28th October Mr Masterman went to Darlington & met the Commissioners of the Property Tax upon the subject of the Surcharge in Darlington Ward & returned on Monday 13th inst & this day made his report.

Resolved unanimously that the thanks of this Court be presented to Mr T H Masterman for his zeal evinced upon all occasions to benefit the interests of this Company particularly for his readiness to comply with the desires of this Board to attend the Commissioners on an appeal respecting the surcharge of Duty & Property in the North and that he be requested to accept one hundred guineas for the very able manner in which he discharged the objects of his journey.

The Court came to the Resolution of fixing the price of ore at £5 15s, Bouse £5, Common & Lead at £30 & £29.

23rd November 1809 LLC 17

The Deputy Governor laid before the Court a note from Mr Smith the solicitor of which the following is a copy.

“Mr Smith presents his respectful Compliments to Mr Chester and informs him it has been agreed between himself and Mr Tilson that the balance due from the Governors of the Lead Company to the late Partnership shall be received by Mr Tilson on account for the same and that his receipt shall be a sufficient discharge for the Payment of such balance”

30th November 1809 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd’s letter of the 31 October, with the list of Michaelmas bargains find they are let upon an average of 38/- for 85 bargains which is 1/5 less than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 606 being 14 less than last quarter.

Ordered that the salary of the Company’s late cashier Joseph Stagg be paid to his executors to the 31 December next.

Resolved unanimously that the sum of £100 be presented to Mrs. Stagg widow of Joseph Stagg the Company’s late cashier and mill agent, in token of the Courts sense of his exertions for the interest of the Company’s Concerns during his appointment to that office.

14th December 1809 LLC 17

Mr Rooke for Self & Partners, purchased 10000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £33 Refined & £31 Common.

Mr Tilson attended the Court with the opinion of Sir Samuel Romilly respecting the String or Vein in Middlehope Mine. Mr Tilson was desired to get opinion of Sir Arthur Pigot upon the same case as soon as possible & send it to the office.

18th December 1809 LLC 17

The opinions of Sir Samuel Romilly and Sir Arthur Piggott respecting the string or vein at Middlehope mine were read.

29th December 1809 LLC 39

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor

Mr Richard Chester Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Robert Hennell

Mr Thomas How Masterman

Mr James Palmer

Mr Isaac Warner

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr John Hillersdon

Charles Mills Esq

Mr Charles Pearson

Mr Thomas Weston

8th February 1810 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd’s letter of the 20th January, with the list of Christmas bargains find they are let upon an average of 41/- for 106 bargains which is 3/- per

Bing more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 684 being 72 more than last quarter.

15th February 1810 LLC 17

Maltby & Co purchased 10000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £33 fother.

7th March 1810 LLC 17

Mr Morrison agent to Col Beaumont attended the Court and stated it to be the wish of Col Beaumont that the matter in dispute between the Company and him relating to Middlehope New Vein should be adjusted without going into court. It was agreed that a deputation from the Court attended by two agents should meet Col Beaumont, Mr Morrison and two agents on the spot and endeavour to settle the dispute amicably, at such period in the ensuing Summer as shall best suit Col Beaumont.

29th March 1810 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also that an extraordinary dividend of five shillings per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

And the Property Duty shall not be deducted but paid by the Company.

29th March 1810 LLC 17

The Company had paid £173 16s 10d property tax.

10th May 1810 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 21 April, with the list of Ladyday bargains find they are let upon an average of 42/4 for 95 bargains which is 1/4 more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 681 being 3 less than last quarter.

17th May 1810 LLC 39

A Court for Electing a Deputy Governor of the Corporation of the Governor & Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal.

Mr Jacob Hagen was unanimously elected Deputy Governor for the remainder of the present year.

24th May 1810 LLC 17

Resolved that Robert Stagg be appointed to succeed his late brother Joseph Stagg as Cashier and Superintendent of all the Company's smelting works of washing the ore and of the ore and lead carriage, forwarding the lead from the several mills to Blaydon, with a house to live in and at the same salary.

31st May 1810 LLC 17

The Court is to allow Robert Stagg junior the same salary as his brother Joseph, £200 per annum to commence from the death of his brother.

12th July 1810 LLC 17

Joseph Little is appointed as agent to Stanhope mill at a salary of £130 per annum to commence from Midsummer last. (Replacing Robert Stagg who had been appointed to Stanhope mill 13th April 1809).

19th July 1810 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration the sale of the Company's lead, there being at this time a very large stock on the Wharf at Stella &c. and finding a difficulty in disposing of any quantity in the usual way, it was thought advisable to have a part of the stock shipped to London.

Resolved unanimously.

That 5,000 pieces be shipped to London Mr Charles Pearson having offered his Wharf and warehouse at Greenwich for the use of the Company.

26th July 1810 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 14th inst. with the list of the Midsummer Bargains and find they are let upon an average at 43/- per Bing for 86 Bargains which is 8d per Bing more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 669 being 12 less than last quarter.

Mr. Masterman and Mr. Pearson are sent to the North to visit the Company's works in the North. They were given the power to displace, suspend or discharge such of the Company's Agents, Accountants and servants as they see fit.

30th August 1810 LLC 17

Charles Dean the Company's accountant having requested the Court to accept his resignation on account of his going into business. Resolved unanimously that his resignation be accepted.

13th September 1810 LLC 17

The Court heard the report of Messrs. Masterman and Pearson.

20th September 1810 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration the mode of disposing of the Company's lead.

Resolved unanimously.

That Mr Tilson be desired to draw up a case for the opinion of council whether the Company may be legally authorised to engage in the purchase of works for the purpose of manufacturing lead into sheet lead &c.

22nd September 1810 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration the report of Messrs. Masterman and Pearson. The Court unanimously agreed with the agreement made by them with Col. Beaumont respecting the Middlehope New Vein boundaries.

4th October 1810 LLC 17

Mr Tilson attended the Court & delivered the opinion of Mr Dampie the Council respecting the manufacturing lead into pipes, sheets &c. which was read over.

Mr Tilson was desired to get some further opinion against Monday next.

Ordered that a Special Court be appointed for Monday next at 12 o'clock precisely to take into consideration Messrs Masterman & Pearsons report & other special affairs.

Mr Masterman reported that he had sold 1351 peces of the Company's small lead to the Trustees of Messrs Preston & Sons at £28 10s per ton money.

8th October 1810 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration the report of Messrs. Masterman and Pearson.

11th October 1810 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration the report of Messrs. Masterman and Pearson.

25th October 1810 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration the report of Messrs. Masterman and Pearson.

1st November 1810 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration the report of Messrs. Masterman and Pearson.

8th November 1810 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration the report of Messrs. Masterman and Pearson, the Court resolved to write to Mr Bainbridge, Robert Stagg and Thomas Dodd.

Robert Stagg's security bond of £1000 was laid before the Court.

The Committee of accounts recommended William Henry Atkinson to be accountant to this Court in the room of Charles Dean who has resigned. Resolved that Mr W H Atkinson be appointed accountant accordingly at a salary of £105 per annum giving security for £1000 to commence at Michaelmas last.

15th November 1810 LLC 17

Mr Tilson attended the Court & reported that Rippon's Agreement was executed and that a warrant was signed for £50 to the trustees of Mr Rippon which was given to Mr Masterman to deliver to the trustees.

29th November 1810 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 17th November with the list of Michaelmas Bargains and the state of the mines &c. and find they are let on an average at 41/4 per Bing for 95 Bargains which is 1/8 less than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 654 being 15 fewer than last quarter.

6th December 1810 LLC 17

The Secretary reported that since last Court Mr Masterman had sold 700 pieces of the Company's Common lead to the Trustees of Preston & Sons at £28 per ton for a Bill at 3 months.

Mr Masterman reported that Mr Watson on behalf of the Trustees had made an offer to the Court of Stanhope Castle with the fixtures & furniture, gardens & field of 3 acres for a term of years till Mr Rippon shall come of age at the yearly rent of £80, and the Coach House, Stabling & Counting House at £17 per annum.

Resolved That Mr Barclay & Mr Masterman be requested to treat with the Trustees of Mr Rippon for the same and to agree the best terms possible.

The Court by their minute of the 22nd September having unanimously confirmed the agreement entered into by Messrs Pearson & Masterman with Col Beaumont & having given direction on various matters in their letter of the 8th November and the Report being gone through the Court Confirm the instructions given by Messrs Pearson & Masterman to Robert Stagg, the Company Cashier & Principal Mill Agent.

The Court have unanimously agreed to the following resolutions.

Resolution 1 That it is expedient to appoint a Superintendent to the Company's concerns in the North.

Resolution 2 That the appointment be offered to Mr Bainbridge of Alston.

Resolution 3 That Boltshaw mine shall not be given up at present.

Resolution 4 That a fund be established for the relief of maimed and decayed workmen employed by the company.

Resolution 5 That the sum of £25 be given to Joshua Stagg junior for his attendance and charges on the Newcastle journeys which he took with Robert Stagg, from the death of Joseph Stagg to the appointment of Joseph Little.

Resolution 6 R Stagg to take the Superintendency of Coanwood colliery.

Resolution 7 That John Dodd's appointment is rendered unnecessary and that he be discharged upon due notice.

Resolution 8 That no gunpowder be used by the Company's workmen but what is furnished by order of the Court and be charged to them at prime cost with only the addition of freight and carriage.

Resolution 9 That the candles be purchased upon the best terms, paid for quarterly and charged in the same manner as the gunpowder.

Resolution 10 That in letting of bargains no person whatever shall have a hireling employed on any account in the Company's works except a workman who may fall sick and has taken a bargain previous to his sickness and he shall only be allowed this till that bargain is finished.

Resolution 11 That no bargain be let for a longer term than a quarter of a year.

Resolution 12 That as few wagemen as possible be employed, but that in every instance where it can be accomplished, the work be done by the piece of what nature soever.

Resolution 13 That for engaging of Whimsey or Level Horses used by the Company, notice to be given to the parties letting the same for receiving proposals for yearly contract; the proposals to be given under seal and forwarded to the Superintendent.

Resolution 14 That all stores such as wood, rope, iron etc. necessary for the Company's mines shall be purchased of the first wholesale houses at Newcastle at the short credit, and the benefit of discount taken

Resolution 17 That the store keeper shall keep a correct record of ... wood, rope, iron, gunpowder, candles and other stores; keeping a similar account of the same, making a distinct account of what is to be reckoned for with the workmen from what is paid for by the Company.

Resolution 18 That Joshua Stagg senior give the whole of his attention to the mining in Teesdale.

Resolution 19 That Joshua Stagg junior be appointed the mill agent at Egglestone.

Resolution 20 That no Agent, Clerk, or assistant, or any party on their behalf shall have any concern, directly or indirectly, in selling gunpowder, candles, or any other material used in the Company's Mines, or be concerned in the Corn Trade, or in the sale of shop goods to the Company's workmen, or any others, either directly or indirectly.

Resolution 21 That no Agent, Clerk, or assistant, or any party on their behalf shall have any Mine or shares of Mine, or be concerned either in Mine adventuring, or in the purchase of Ore, directly or indirectly, or in any shape whatever ...

Resolution 22 Coals and Candles are not allowed to any Agent or otherwise.

Resolution 23 That the letting of Tynebottom Estate and other of the Company's property in the North shall be under the direction of the Superintendent and the rent and profits be paid to the Company cashier.

Agents Salaries be fixed as follows to commence from the 1st January 1811.

Thomas Dodd senior	£350	per	annum
Robert Stagg	£300	"	"
Joshua Stagg Senior	£100	"	"
Joshua Stagg Junior	£80	"	"
John Smith	£100	"	"
Matthew Johnson	£80	"	"
John Little	£130	"	"
Isaac Hornsby	£120	"	"

Thomas Dodd Junior	£100	“	“
Isaac Batey	£80	“	“
Ralph Briggs	£60	“	“
Total	£1,500		

The thanks of the Court be presented to Messrs. Pearson and Masterman for the trouble they have taken in visiting the Company's works in the North and that they be requested to accept each of a piece of plate, value ten guineas.

27th December 1810 LLC 17

Sold 785 oz of North silver at 5/10 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£230 12s 2d). Mr Masterman reported that he had agreed with the trustees of Mr Rippon, on behalf of the Company for a lease of 7 years for the House at Stanhope called Stanhope Castle with the fixtures and the use of the furniture, garden, and field, Coach house, Stabling and Counting house to commence from Ladyday 1811. The House to be put in repair and painted inside and out by the trustees at £90 per annum. Mr Charles Pearson junr took the oath appointed by the Charter to qualify.

28th December 1810 LLC 39

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Francis Cooper Governor	
Mr Jacob Hagen Deputy Governor	
Assistants	
Mr Robert Barclay	Mr James Palmer
Mr Robert Hennell	Mr Charles Pearson
Mr John Hillersdon	Mr Isaac Warner
Mr Thomas How Masterman	Mr Kilpin Warner
Charles Mills Esq	Mr Thomas Weston

31st January 1811 LLC 17

Sold 604 oz of North silver at 5/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£179 19s 6d). The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 12th January with the list of Christmas Bargains and the state of the mines &c. and find they are let upon an average at 40/10 per Bing for 121 Bargains which is 6d per Bing less than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 685 being 30 more than last quarter.

14th February 1811 LLC 17

Martin & Morrison of Newcastle purchased 12000 pieces of Common lead at £25 fother.

21st February 1811 LLC 17

Locke & Co purchased 7000 pieces of Large Common lead at £25 ton and 1000 pieces Refined lead at £26 ton delivered at Greenwich.

7th March 1811 LLC 17

Sold Messrs Brandrams & Co 200 pieces of refined lead at £27 10s ton delivered at London. Resolved that 509 guineas be subscribed towards the relief of the British Prisoners in France.

14th March 1811 LLC 17

Sold 857 oz 12 pw of North silver at 6/1 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£260 17s 0d). Sold Lane Johnson & Co 1000 pieces of common lead at £26 10s ton.

21st March 1811 LLC 17

Sold George & Thomas Alderson 1200 pieces of common lead at £26 10s ton.

28th March 1811 LLC 39
Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also that an extraordinary dividend of five shillings per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

And the Property Duty shall not be deducted but paid by the Company.

28th March 1811 LLC 17

Sold 1389 oz 18 pw of North silver at 6/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£428 11s 4d).

Sold Messrs Bowring Lochner & Rivington 3000 pieces of lead, refined £26 10s ton, common £26 ton.

1st April 1811 LLC 17

Sold 1664 oz 10 pw of North silver at 6/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£513 4s 2d).

25th April 1811 LLC 17

Thomas Dodd's letter of 13th April with a list of Ladyday bargains and state of the mines and find they are let upon an average of 39s 9d per Bing for 119 bargains which is 11d per Bing less than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 696 being 12 more than last quarter.

16th May 1811 LLC 17

Sold 938 oz 10 pw of North silver at 6/1 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£285 9s 2d).

23 May 1811 LLC 17

The Court wrote to Robert Bainbridge (Solicitor living in Alston)

6th June 1811 LLC 17

That in consequence of the present depreciation in the price of lead Mr Dodd is directed not to let and bargains for the ensuing quarter at more than 35s a Bing, except in such cases where a stated number of men are necessary to preserve a lease, that all bargains under that price be reduced at least 2s a Bing.

20th June 1811 LLC 17

Sold 1996 oz 13 pw of North silver to Thomas How Masterman (£607 6s 7d).

11th July 1811 LLC 17

The Court came to the resolution of purchasing Mr. Dodd's and Mr. Stephenson's allotment at the price stated to them.

The Court agreed that Thomas Bell should fill the place of his father as recommended by Thomas Dodd 8th June.

The Court wrote to Robert Stagg, Robert Bainbridge, Thomas Dodd & Middleton Hewitson.

18th July 1811 LLC 17

Sold Maltby & Co 10000 pieces of lead half at Newcastle and half at London common at £24 5s fother refined £25 5s.

25th July 1811 LLC 17

Sold 933 oz 8 pw of North silver at 6/0 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£281 19s 0d).

Sold Walker, Maltby & Co 100 pieces of refined lead delivered at Newcastle at £25 5s fother.

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letters of the 13th July with a list of Midsummer bargains and found they are let upon an average of 33s per Bing for 90 bargains which is 6s 9d less than last quarter. That the number of men employed is 539, which is 157 less than last quarter.

15th August 1811 LLC 17

Sold Mr Brandrum 1000 pieces refined lead at £25 1s ton.

22nd August 1811 LLC 17

Sold 555 oz of North silver at 6/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£171 3s 4d).

5th September 1811 LLC 17

The Court agreed to allow Thomas Dodd's youngest son (*Simon*) to be employed as an assistant to his father at a salary of £20 per annum. Mr Stagg's letter of the 26th August respecting the Roasting of ores is referred to the committee of mines.

12th September 1811 LLC 39

A Court for Electing a Governor of the Corporation of the Governor & Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal for the remainder of the present year in the room of Mr Francis Cooper deceased.

Mr Jacob Hagen was elected unanimously as Governor for the remainder of the present year.

12th September 1811 LLC 17

The Court decided to erect a Roasting Furnace at Nenthead on the advice of Robert Stagg.

26th September 1811 LLC 30

A Court for Electing a Deputy Governor of the Corporation of the Governor & Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal for the remainder of the present year in the room of Mr Jacob Hagen chosen Governor.

Mr James Palmer was unanimously elected Deputy Governor for the remainder of the present year.

26th September 1811 LLC 17

Sold 2382 oz 16 pw of North silver at 6/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£734 14s 2d).
Sold Messrs Alderson 1000 pieces of common lead delivered to Chelsea at £24 ton.

24th October 1811 LLC 17

Sold 2057 oz 10 pw of North silver at 6/3 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£642 19s 2d).

21st November 1811 LLC 17

Sold 1438 oz 6 pw of North silver at 6/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£455 9s 2d).
The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 1st November with the list of Michaelmas Bargains and the state of the mines &c. and find they are let upon an average at 32/- per Bing for 84 Bargains which is 1/- per Bing less than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 514 being 25 fewer than last quarter.

The Court appointed a committee to look at what measures could be taken to prevent the further depreciation in the price of lead.

5th December 1811 LLC 17

The Court wrote to Robert Bainbridge.

12th December 1811 LLC 17

Messrs Alderson purchased 2300 pieces of lead at £24 ton delivered to Chelsea.
Messrs Rooke & Co purchased 500 pieces of common lead at £24 Newcastle fother.

19th December 1811 LLC 17

Sold 1667 oz 18 pw of North silver at 6/31/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£524 13s 10d).

Sold Messrs Rooke & Horneman 750 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle at £24 fother.

30th December 1811 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor

Mr James Palmer Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Joseph Yates Cooper

Mr Anthony Horne

Mr Thomas How Masterman

Mr John Masterman

Charles Mills Esq

Mr Charles Pearson

Mr Isaac Warner

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr Thomas Weston

Mr James Williams

2nd January 1812 LLC 17

Sold 700 pieces of refined lead at £25 ton and 500 pieces of common lead at £24 tone to Lane & Johnson.

Sold Messrs Parker & Maltby 3900 pieces of common lead at £23 10s fother and 2000 pieces refined at £24 10s fother.

9th January 1812 LLC 17

Sold Rooke & Horneman 1000 pieces of lead at £24 fother at Newcastle.

23rd January 1812 LLC 17

Sold Messrs Keen 500 pieces of refined lead at £25 ton.

Sold Messrs Brandrums 500 pieces of refined lead at £25 ton.

30th January 1812 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letters of the 18th January with a list of Christmas bargains and found they are let upon an average of 32s 9d per Bing for 93 bargains which is 9d more than last quarter. That the number of men employed is 534, which is 20 more than last quarter.

6th February 1812 LLC 17

Sold 1598 oz 6 pw of North silver at 6/3 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£499 9s 4d).

Sold Rooke & Co 1000 pieces of common lead at £24 fother.

Sold Day & Co 500 pieces of refined lead at £25 ton.

13th February 1812 LLC 17

The Court wrote to Robert Bainbridge.

20th February 1812 LLC 17

Sold John Ellill 250 pieces refined lead at £25 fother and 250 pieces of common lead at £24 fother. (The bankruptcy of John Ellill had been rescinded and he was now purchasing leads on behalf of clients)

27th February 1812 LLC 17

Sold 1901 oz 16 pw of North silver at 6/3 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£594 6s 3d).

On the 27th and 28th February, Monday the 2nd March, Tuesday the 3rd March, Wednesday the 4th March, Thursday 5th March and Friday the 6th March the Court examined Robert Stagg and Thomas Dodd.

3rd March 1812 LLC 17

Mr. Dodd left with the court the conveyance of the allotment.

4th March 1812 LLC 17

The Court resolved to rescind Resolutions 1, 2, 15 and 23 (of the 6th December 1810) and in lieu of 15 it was agreed to stand thus, that the article of Boll Wood be purchased upon the best terms for the Company interest by the principle mining agent taking a complete survey and estimate of all parcels is in person previous to purchase. The invoice to be transmitted to the cashier for examination and payment. In lieu of 23, that the letting of Tynebottom Estate and others of the Company's property in the North shall not take place without the previous consent of the Court and all rents and profits to be paid to the Company cashier.

5th March 1812 LLC 17

A draft conveyance between Mr. Dodd and the company for the allotment was presented to the court.

7th March 1812 LLC 17

Resolution 1 That under no consideration the cost price of the lead to be laid down at Newcastle for the present year, exceed the statement delivered in by T Dodd and R Stagg.

Resolution 2 That Robert Stagg remove from Alston to the Company's house at Stanhope and that an office be established there, Robert Stagg to see that the garden be put in order and the house and premises in a proper state of repair. And that the painting of inside and out, engaged to be done by the trustees be completed as soon after the 1st May as possible.

Resolution 3 That Joseph Little the cashiers assistant attend the mill at Stanhope, and that the mill Agents reside as near the mill as possible.

Resolution 4 That a reduction take place in the Middlehope and Irishopeburn ore carriage as suggested by Robert Stagg.

Resolution 5 That a new mould be made to the form proposed by Robert Stagg for the lead to be refined.

Resolution 6 That a Trial be made for condensing the smoke in Stanhope chimneys, the effect to be reported to the Court.

Resolution 7 That Stanhope chimneys should not be heightened till the above experiment have been tried.

Resolution 8 That proper Bingsteads be made at Stanhope mill in a secure situation, that Robert Stagg transmit to the Court an estimate of the expense.

Resolution 9 That the Peat house at Nenthead be repaired or rebuilt an estimate thereof to be transmitted to the Court.

Resolution 10 Joshua Stagg senior is to give the whole of his attendance at the mines in Teesdale.

Resolution 11 Joshua Stagg junior be appointed the mill agent at Egglestone.

Resolution 12 Thomas Dodd junior take the Superintendency of Loanwood Colliery.

Resolution 13 John Dodd's appointment is rendered unnecessary and is to cease at Michaelmas next.

Resolution 14 That not any gunpowder's be used by the Company's workmen but was furnished by order of the Court and be charged to them at the prime cost with only the addition of freight and carriage.

Resolution 15 That the candles be purchased upon the best terms paid for quarterly by the cashier, and charged to the workmen in the same manner as gunpowder.

Resolution 16 That in the letting of bargains no person whatever shall have an hireling employed on any account in the Company's works, except all workmen who may fall sick, that has taken a bargain previous to his sickness, and he shall only be allowed this till the bargain is finished.

Resolution 17 That not any bargain be let for a longer term than a quarter of a year.

Resolution 18 That as few wagemen as possible be employed, but that in every instance where it can be accomplished the work to be done by the piece of what nature so ever.

Resolution 19 That for engaging of Whimsey or Level horses used by the Company, notice be given to the parties letting the same for receiving proposals for yearly contracts the proposals to be given under seal to the Chief Mining Agent and forward to the Court.

Resolution 20 That all stores such as wood, ropes, iron etc. necessary for the Company's mines shall be purchased of the first wholesale houses at Newcastle, at the short credit and the benefits of discount taken. The invoices to be transmitted to the cashier for examination and payment.

Resolution 21 That the article of Boll (140lbs weight) wood be purchased upon the best terms for the Company's interest by the Principle Mining Agent, taking a complete survey and estimate of all parcels in person previous to purchase. The invoices to be transmitted to the cashier for examination and payment.

Resolution 22 That whenever there shall arise a quantity of timber, old wood, rope, iron, bark or any other stores, that may be unserviceable to the Company, an inventory thereof shall be taken and transmitted to the Court who will give directions respecting the sale thereof.

Resolution 23 That the store keeper, shall keep a correct account of all bought wood and all parcels delivered to the mines, stating distinctly the quantity and the quality and the quantity delivered to each mine and to check the delivery of each parcel from the wood to the mine, and also to attend the same with the delivery of other wood, rope, iron, gunpowder, candles and other stores, keeping a similar account of the same, making a distinct account of what is reckoned for with the workmen from what is paid for by the Company and that charged in the actual amount as near as possible and not in round numbers, both of which to be transmitted to the Court by the cashier.

Resolution 24 That no Agent, clerk or assistant, or any party on their behalf shall have any concern directly or indirectly in selling gunpowder, candles or any other material used in the Company's mines or be concerned in the Corn trade, or in the sale of any shop goods to the Company's workmen, or any others directly or indirectly.

Resolution 25 That no Agent, Clerk or Assistant or any party on their behalf shall have any Mine or Shares of Mine or be concerned in Mine adventuring or in the purchase of Ore, directly or in any shape whatever or be concerned in the Farming Business or employment except keeping a Horse or Cow or two for the use of their families.

Resolution 26 Coals and candles are not allowed to any Agents or otherwise.

Resolution 27 That the future lettings of Tynebottom Estate and others of the Company's property in the North shall not take place without the previous consent of the Court, and all rents and profits to be paid to the cashier.

Resolution 28 That every charge against the workmen for drawing work tools, crushing mills etc. as well as advances, candles, gunpowder's be passed through the due papers, and no part to be reckoned or taken off them in any other way whatsoever.

Resolution 29 That the percentage allowed by the Newcastle bank on the amount of the issue of their notes to the Company be in the future credits to the account of discounts.

Resolution 30 That Thomas Dodd relinquish his engagement with the Dean and Chapter of Durham.

Resolution 31 That the Chief Agents Thomas Dodd and Robert Stagg be strictly enjoined to observe that the several forgoing resolutions be carried into full effect.

Resolution 32 That the salaries of the respective agents be increased and fixed as follows to commence from Ladyday next the property duty to be paid for the same by the Company.

Thomas Dodd senior	£500 per annum
Robert Stagg	£500 “ “
Joshua Stagg Senior	£120 “ “
Joshua Stagg Junior	£100 “ “
John Smith	£100 “ “
Matthew Johnson	£100 “ “
John Little	£150 “ “
Isaac Hornsby	£130 “ “
Thomas Dodd Junior	£100 “ “
Isaac Batey	£100 “ “
James Bell	£60 “ “
Simon Dodd	£30 “ “
Ralph Briggs	£80 “ “
Total	£2,100

That such part of the Court minutes of the 10th December 1810 respecting the agents salaries be rescinded.

Resolution 32 That a warehouse be obtained at Newcastle for the depositing of the Company's stock of litharge as it may arrive. Robert Stagg was ordered to consult with Mr. Hewitson there on.

Resolution 34 That an application be made to Lord Darlington respecting a grant of his mining liberty in Teesdale. Thomas Dodd was desired to see Lord Darlington on the subject.

Resolution 35 That if any ore of good quality be purchased in Alston Moor, Weardale or Teesdale, Thomas Dodd is at liberty to agree for the same provided it can be obtained at a price that it shall admit of its being laid down as lead at Newcastle at the price given in by Thomas Dodd and Robert Stagg for the cost of the Company's lead in the above district for 1812.

Resolution 36 That Thomas Dodd be at liberty to procure what ore can be obtained from Old pickings both in the Moor, Weardale and Teesdale provided it can be laid down in lead at Newcastle including every expense at a price not exceeding £15 7s per fother.

Resolution 37 Resolved that £20 be subscribed towards building a school at Nenthead.

Resolution 38 That the sum of £25 be given to Joshua Stagg junior for his attendance and charges on the Newcastle journeys which he took with Robert Stagg from the death of Joseph Stagg to the appointment of Joseph Little.

Robert Stagg reported that he had seen Mr. Watson one of the trustees of Mr. Rippon who engaged that the part of the road from Stanhope mill left unrepaired by the Company should

be completed by the trustees and their tenants. Ordered that the secretary send to Robert Stagg a copy of the agreement of Stanhope Castle.

The Company's Agents Thomas Dodd and Robert Stagg having being examined at this, the several preceding special courts of 27 and 28th February the 2, 3, 4, 5th and 6th March touching the Company's concerns several documents, statements and propositions having also been submitted by them to the Court and considering Viz. No 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7.

The report of the committee of the 21st November 1811 having also been read. The Agents by the direction of the Court produced and signed a statement No 8 for the cost of the lead from the ore to be raised in Alston Moor for the present year to end the 30th September next laid down at Newcastle by which they engaged for their respective departments it should not exceed £17 12s per fother including all charges both in the North and in London and on other statements for the ore to be raised in Weardale and Teesdale for the same period which they engaged as above should not exceed £14 1s per fother.

The foregoing resolutions from No 1 to 38 inclusive having been read to Thomas Dodd and Robert Stagg in Court. Ordered that a fair copy be presented to each of them.

The Court came to the resolution to present Thomas Dodd and Robert Stagg £30 each as a gratuity for which a warrant for £60 was signed.

12th March 1812 LLC 17

Messrs Alderson & Co purchased 1000 pieces of common lead delivered at London at £24 ton.

Mr Ellill purchased 100 pieces refined lead at £25 ton.

19th March 1812 LLC 17

Mr Ellill purchased 500 pieces of refined lead at £25 ton for Messrs Day & Roberts deliverable in London at 6 months credit.

The Probate of the will of Francis Cooper late of Clapton in the County of Middlesex deceased, under the seal of the prerogative Court of Canterbury bearing date the 19th February 1812 appointing Joseph Yates Cooper the son of the said deceased one of the executors was exhibited & allowed.

26th March 1812 LLC 17

Sold 1000 pieces of common lead at £24 ton.

2nd April 1812 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also that an extraordinary dividend of five shillings per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

And the Property Duty shall not be deducted but paid by the Company.

A motion was made by a proprietor & seconded that in consideration of the very small remuneration which is present made to the members of the Court for their attendance on the business of the Company the same shall be increased in future to stand in the following manner & commence from Midsummer next.

The Governor	£80 per annum
The Deputy Governor	£40 per annum
The Court of Assistants	£12 12s each meeting
The Committee of Trade & Correspondence	£4 4s each meeting
The Committee of Accounts	£4 4s each meeting
The Committee of Mines	£4 4s each meeting

2nd April 1812 LLC 17

Sold 2396 oz 13 pw of North silver at 6/31/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£753 18s 11d).

Sold Locke & Co 1000 pieces of refined lead delivered at Newcastle £24 10s fother.

Sold Maltby & Co 10000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle £24 refined, £23 common per fother.

30th April 1812 LLC 17

The court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of 18th April with the list of Ladyday bargains and find they are let upon an average of 33s 4d a Bing for 89 bargains which is 7d for a Bing more than last quarter, that the number of men employed are 560 being 26 more than last quarter.

14th May 1812 LLC 17

John Ellill purchased 450 pieces of refined lead at £24 fother, 50 pieces of slag lead at £23 fother at Newcastle and 50 casks of litharge at £32 ton.

28th May 1812 LLC 17

Sold 1712 oz 18 pw of North silver at 6/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£542 8s 8d).

2nd July 1812 LLC 17

Resolved to subscribe £50 to the poor of Weardale.

20th August 1812 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 18th July, with the list of Midsummer bargains find they are let upon an average of 33/- for 78 bargains which is 4d less than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 530 being 30 fewer than last quarter.

The Court resolved to subscribe £100 to the relief of the poor in Alston Moor.

3rd September 1812 LLC 17

Sold 619 oz 4 pw of North silver at 6/6 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£201 4s 7d).

Messrs Parker & Co purchased 2000 pieces refined lead at £24 fother and 4000 pieces of common lead at £23 fother.

24th September 1812 LLC 17

Sold 1039 oz 2 pw of North silver at 6/10 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£357 3s 11d).

Messrs Alderson & Co purchased 2000 pieces refined lead at £24 fother and 4000 pieces common at £23 fother.

29th October 1812 LLC 17

Sold 1975 oz 14 pw of North silver at 6/8 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£658 11s 4d).

Maltby & Co purchased 6000 pieces of refined lead at £23 fother.

Locke & Co purchased 100 pieces of refined lead at £24 fother.

12th November 1812 LLC 17

Sold to J K Picard 4000 pieces of lead at £24 & £23 fother.

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 31 October, with the list of Michaelmas bargains find they are let upon an average of 33/6 for 98 bargains which is 6d more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 536 being 6 more than last quarter.

26th November 1812 LLC 17

Sold 1411 oz 14 pw of North silver at 6/7 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£464 13s 8d).

10th December 1812 LLC 17

Sold Locke & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £24 fother.

Mr Alderson the Company's agent at Stella was given an advance of salary from £80 to £130.

24th December 1812 LLC 17

Sold 965 oz 4 pw of North silver at 6/7 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£317 14s 6d).

31st December 1812 LLC 39

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor

Mr James Palmer Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Joseph Yates Cooper

Mr John Hillersdon

Mr Anthony Horne

Mr Thomas How Masterman

Mr John Masterman

Mr Charles Pearson

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr Thomas Weston

Mr James Williams

31st December 1812 LLC 17

Sold Locke & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £25 fother.

7th January 1813 LLC 17

Resolved unanimously that the sum of one hundred guineas be subscribed to the relief of the sufferers in Russia in consequence of the invasion by the French.

21st January 1813 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 26th December with the list of Christmas Bargains and the state of the mines &c. and find they are let upon an average at 34/8 per Bing for 102 Bargains which is 1/2 per Bing more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 582 being 46 more than last quarter.

28th January 1813 LLC 17

Sold 902 oz of North silver at 6/7 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£296 18s 2d).

18th February 1813 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration Middleton Hewitson's letter respecting a subscription for the poor about Stella and subscribed 10 guineas towards it.

25th February 1813 LLC 17

Sold 2033 oz of North silver at 6/7 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£673 8s 8d).

Alderson & Co purchased 2000 pieces of refined lead at £27 fother at Newcastle.

4th March 1813 LLC 17

Sold J K Piccard 2000 pieces of refined lead at £27 fother at Newcastle.

Affixed the Company seal to the counterpart of a lease for Black Ashgill mines.

18th March 1813 LLC 17

Maltby & Co bought 1000 pieces of refined lead at £27 fother delivered at Newcastle.

Mr Ellill bought 500 pieces of refined lead at £27 fother delivered at Newcastle.

25th March 1813 LLC 17

Sold 1674 oz of North silver at 6/9 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£564 19s 6d).

1st April 1813 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also that an extraordinary dividend of five shillings per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

And the Property Duty shall not be deducted but paid by the Company.

8th April 1813 LLC 17

Maltby & Co purchased 5000 pieces of refined lead at £27 fother and 500 pieces of slag lead at £25 10s fother delivered at Newcastle.

22nd April 1813 LLC 17

Messrs Maltby & Co bought 50 casks of litharge at £28 ton.

29th April 1813 LLC 17

Sold 3486 oz of North silver at 6/10 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£1191 3s 0d).

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 10th instant with the list of Ladyday Bargains and the state of the mines &c. and find they are let upon an average at 34/- per Bing for 94 Bargains which is 8d per Bing less than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 589 being 37 fewer than last quarter.

Ordered that the plan of Middlehope vein & the New String received from Thomas Dodd be laid before Messrs Tilson Preston by the secretary also a copy of Mr Dodds letter which accompanied it, and that Mr Tilson be desired to attend the Court on Thursday next, The Court affixed their seal to the lease of Lord Darlington's mines in Middleton.

27th May 1813 LLC 17

Sold 1790 oz 19 pw of North silver at 6/10 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£611 11s 8d).

24th June 1813 LLC 17

Sold 2128 oz 5 pw of North silver at 6/9 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£722 13s 5d).

15th July 1813 LLC 17

Ordered that the lease and release of the Company's House at Alston be sent to Mr Bainbridge.

22nd July 1813 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 10th instant with the list of Midsummer Bargains and the state of the mines &c. and find they are let upon an average at 33/6 per Bing for 90 Bargains which is 6d per Bing less than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 593 being 4 more than last quarter.

12th August 1813 LLC 17

Maltby & co purchased 100 casks of litharge at £26 ton delivered at Newcastle.

9th September 1813 LLC 17

Sold 3260 oz 18 pw of North silver at 6/10 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£1114 1s 10d).

7th October 1813 LLC 17

Parker & Co purchased 10000 pieces of lead delivered at Newcastle, in proportion 5000 refined at £24 fother and 5000 common at £23 without slag.

14th October 1813 LLC 17

Sold 2953 oz 11 pw of North silver at 6/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£1021 9s 1d).

21st October 1813 LLC 17

Sold 2568 oz 1 pw of North silver at 6/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£888 2s 8d).

28th October 1813 LLC 17

Sold Alderson & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £24 5s, 1500 pieces of common lead at £23 5s and 500 pieces of slag lead at £22 15s fother.

4th November 1813 LLC 17

Mr Tilson attended the Court & left the Agreement & Counterpart to compromise & settle a dispute concerning a Cross Vein between the Gov. & Co., & Col Beaumont Esq.

William Henry Atkinson delivered a letter to the Court requesting to resign his situation as accountant which the Court accepted.

11th November 1813 LLC 17

The Court affixed the Company seal to the agreement and counterpart to compromise and settle a dispute concerning a cross vein one of which is deposited in the tin box and the other delivered to Mr Tilson. (between the Gov & Co and Col Beaumont)

The Court having taken into their consideration that part of the report of the deputation of Messrs Masterman, Pearson and Hillersdon on respecting a remuneration to Mr Stagg.

Resolved unanimously.

That he be desired to accept the sum of £500 as a mark of the Courts high approbation of his services in conducting the affairs of the Company.

Jacob Brown's pension to be increased to £4 per quarter.

Each of the deputation was given a piece of plate valued at 50 guineas in thanks for their work.

18th November 1813 LLC 17

Sold Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £26 fother at Newcastle.

Sold Alderson & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £26 fother at Newcastle.

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 6th November with the list of Michaelmas Bargains and the state of the mines &c. and find they are let upon an average at 34/- per Bing for 99 Bargains which is 6d per Bing more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 594 being 1 more than last quarter.

Charles Magnus Thomas was appointed accountant in the room of William Henry Atkinson who has resigned at a salary of £150 per annum.

25th November 1813 LLC 17

Sold Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £27 10s fother delivered at Newcastle.

Sold Locke & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead delivered at Newcastle £27 10s fother.

Sold Alderson & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead delivered at Newcastle £27 10s fother.

2nd December 1813 LLC 17

Sold 1796 oz 16 pw of North silver at 6/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£621 7s 10d).

30th December 1813 LLC 17

Sold 2327 oz 15 pw of North silver at 6/10 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£800 3s 3d).

31st December 1813 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor
Mr James Palmer Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay	Mr Joseph Yates Cooper
Mr John Hillersdon	Mr Anthony Horne
Mr John Masterman	Charles Mills Esq
Mr Charles Pearson	Mr Isaac Warner
Mr Kilpin Warner	Mr James Williams

6th January 1814 LLC 17

An agreement between Thomas Dodd for the Governor and Company and John Barnes for A Moore Esq & Company for the sale of Boltshaw mine to the said A Moore Esq & Company for £100. They to take possession 1st January 1814.

20th January 1814 LLC 17

The Court taking into consideration the great responsibility (as well as the trouble and expense) which the Company incur in attending the receipt of the Duke of Northumberland's Rents at Newcastle and remitting them to London.

Resolved that it is expedient for the Company to decline in future the charge of the Dukes concerns, and that a letter be immediately written to his Grace enclosing the resolution of the Court.

My Lord Duke

The Governor and Court of Assistants of the Lead Company have directed me to transmit to your Grace a copy of a resolution which the Court have deemed expedient this morning to pass, and at the same time to express the regret they feel at closing a connection that has so long subsisted with your Graces family and which the Court have always considered a circumstance most highly honourable to the Company.

I have the honour to subscribe myself &c. Secretary

(The Court minutes show Robert Staggs bills being drawn on Ridley & Co after this time)

30th January 1814 LLC 17

Sold 3320 oz of North silver at 6/10 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£1134 6s 8d).

10th February 1814 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's letter of the 15th January with the list of Christmas Bargains &c. and find they are let upon an average of 36/7 per Bing for 111 Bargains which is 2/7 per Bing more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 602 being 8 more than last quarter.

24th February 1814 LLC 17

Alderson & Co purchased 4000 pieces of refined lead at £31 fother delivered at Newcastle. Having accepted the resignation of Mr Thomas Dodd's Superintendency of the Teesdale mines resolved that Robert Stagg be given this situation with an addition to his salary of £100 per annum.

The Court asked Robert Stagg to arrange for a house to be built at Nenthead for an agent.

3rd March 1814 LLC 17

Sold 1424 oz of North silver at 6/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£492 9s 4d).

24th March 1814 LLC 17

Sold 2167 oz 5 pw of North silver at 6/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£749 10s 2d).

31st March 1814 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors at Midsummer next.

And also that an extraordinary dividend of 10 shillings per share may be made to the proprietors without inconvenience to be paid Michaelmas next.

And the Property Tax shall not be deducted but paid by the Company.

28th April 1814 LLC 17

Sold 2978 oz 19 pw of North silver at 6/10 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£893 14s 0d). The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd and Robert Stagg's list of Bargains &c. and find that the Bargains in Alston Moor under Mr. Dodd are let upon an average of 37s per Bing which is 5d more than last quarter and that the Teesdale mines under Robert Stagg are let upon an average of 35s 3d namely 1/7 less than last quarter.

2nd June 1814 LLC 17

Sold 2342 oz 19 pw of North silver at 6/5 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£751 14s 3d).

30th June 1814 LLC 17

Sold 2056 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£608 7s 8d).

21st July 1814 LLC 17

Sold 2466 oz 11 pw of North silver at 5/10 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£719 8s 6d).

28th July 1814 LLC 17

The Court took into consideration Robert Stagg and Thomas Dodd letter of the 4th July with the list of Bargains &c. and find the Bargains in Teesdale are let upon an average at 35/- per Bing which is 3d less than last quarter and 7 men less employed.

Thomas Dodd upon an average at 35/6 which is 1/6 less than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 452 being 2 less than last quarter.

1st September 1814 LLC 17

Sold 1920 oz 12 pw of North silver at 5/9 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£552 3s 5d).

12th September 1814 LLC 17

Sold 1863 oz 16 pw of North silver at 5/7 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£520 1s 9d).

15th September 1814 LLC 17

The Probate of the will of Simeon Warner formerly of Bermondsey but late of the Parish of St George, Southwark in the County of Surrey deceased appointing Jacob Warner & Joseph Warner Esq the brothers of the deceased and the executors under the seal of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury bearing the date 5th September 1814 was exhibited & allowed.

27th October 1814 LLC 17

Sold 3004 oz 14 pw of North silver at 5/7 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£838 16s 3d).

10th November 1814 LLC 17

Parker & Co purchased 100 casks of litharge delivered at Newcastle.

The Court took into consideration Robert Stagg and Thomas Dodd letters of the 7th and 29th October with the list of Michaelmas Bargains and find the Bargains in Alston Moor are let upon an average at 36/10 per Bing for 87 Bargains which is 1/4 more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 458 being 6 more than last quarter. And that the Bargains in

Teesdale are let at 35/- which is the same as last quarter and that the number of men employed are 164 being 30 more than last quarter.

24th November 1814 LLC 17

Sold 1828 oz 14 pw of North silver at 5/10 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£537 3s 7d).
Sold Alderson & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 fother and 1000 pieces of common lead at £21 fother at Newcastle.

1st December 1814 LLC 17

Sold Parker & Co 15000 pieces of lead in proportion 10000 pieces refined at £21 fother and 5000 pieces of common lead at £20 fother at Newcastle.

8th December 1814 LLC 17

Alderson & Co bought 7000 pieces of lead in proportion two thirds refined at £21 fother and one third common at £20 fother at Newcastle.

15th December 1814 LLC 17

Sold Alderson & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 fother and 1000 pieces of common lead at £20 fother at Newcastle.
The Court received a letter from Simon Dodd requesting an advance of salary. It was raised from £30 to £50 per annum, to commence from Michaelmas last.

22nd December 1814 LLC 17

Sold 2221 oz 16 pw of North silver at 5/7 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£624 17s 8d).
Sold Parker & Co 10000 pieces of lead in proportion 6000 refined at £21 and 2000 common at £20 and 2000 slag at £19 fother.

30th December 1814 LLC 39

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor

Mr James Palmer Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Anthony Horne

Mr John Masterman

Mr Isaac Warner

Mr Thomas Weston

Mr John Hillersdon

Mr Thomas How Masterman

Charles Mills Esq

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr James Williams

12th January 1815 LLC 18

Sold Locke & co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £23 fother and 1000 pieces of slag lead at £21 10s fother at Newcastle.

26th January 1815 LLC 18

Sold 1759 oz 7 pw of North silver at 6/8 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£502 3s 3d).

2nd February 1815 LLC 18

Ordered that the secretary send to the Company's works in the North: -
50 half barrels of Gunpowder FB
50 quarter barrels of Gunpowder FB
25 half barrels of Gunpowder CB
50 quarter barrels of Gunpowder CB

9th February 1815 LLC 18

The Court took into consideration the letters of 31st December and 14th January with the list of bargains and find that the mines in Alston the bargains are let upon an average of 36s 10d per Bing for 98 bargains which is 2d more than last quarter that the number of men employed are 472 being 14 more than last quarter. And the Bargains in Teesdale are let upon an average of 33/2 per Bing being 1/10 less than last quarter and the number of men employed are 158 being 6 fewer than last quarter.

16th February 1815 LLC 18

Sold Locke & Co 100 casks of litharge at £24 ton delivered at Newcastle.

16th February 1815 LLC 18

Sold Locke & Co 100 casks of litharge at £24 ton delivered at Newcastle.

23rd February 1815 LLC 18

Sold 1671 oz 2 pw of North silver at 6/8 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£476 19s 2d).

16th March 1815 LLC 18

Sold Maltby & Co 100 casks of litharge at £24 ton.

30th March 1815 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending 5th April.

And also that an extraordinary dividend of five shillings per share may be made to the proprietors for the half year ending 10th October next.

And the Property Tax shall not be deducted but paid by the Company.

6th April 1815 LLC 18

Sold 1156 oz 17 pw of North silver at 6/10 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£397 13s 0d).

4th May 1815 LLC 18

Sold 1937 oz 8 pw of North silver at 6/9 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£657 18s 2d).

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd and Robert Stagg letters of the 1st and 8th April, the list of bargains and find that the bargains on Alston moor are let upon an average at 36s 10d per Bing for 96 bargains which is two less than last quarter and the number of men employed are 508 being 36 more than last quarter. And that the Bargains in Teesdale are let at 34/3 per Bing which is 1/1 more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 220 being 16 more than last quarter.

18th May 1815 LLC 18

A motion was made and seconded that Mr Hewitson be empowered to treat for a renewal of the lease of Stella Wharf for 21 years at a rent not exceeding £60 per annum, to which the Court agreed.

1st June 1815 LLC 18

Sold 2129 oz 16 pw of North silver at 6/6 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£696 9s 10d).

22nd June 1815 LLC 18

Sold 2166 oz 5 pw of North silver at 6/6 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£708 10s 11d).

6th July 1815 LLC 18

A deputation was sent to the North, the deputation to be made up of Mr. Thomas Weston, Isaac Warner and Thomas Masterman.

6th July 1815 LLC 18

The agreement between the Company and the trustees of Mr Rippon dated the 27th October 1809 was taken out of the Tin Box and delivered to the secretary in order to have a fair copy made out for the deputation to take into the North.

20th July 1815 LLC 18

The Bargains in Alston Moor are let upon an average at 36/- per Bing for 94 Bargains which is 10d less than last quarter and the number employed are 496 being 12 less than last quarter. And that the Bargains in Teesdale are let at 37/6 per Bing which is 3/3 more than last quarter and that the number of men employed are 196 being 24 less than last quarter.

27th July 1815 LLC 18

Sold 2627 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/9 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£760 17s 4d).

31st August 1815 LLC 18

Sold 2321 oz 17 pw of North silver at 5/8 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£657 14s 4d).

28th September 1815 LLC 18

Sold 2604 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/7 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£727 1s 10d). The first half of the quantity of Gunpowder written for by Thomas Dodd to be forwarded to the Company's works in the North.

The report from the deputation was read, the deputation was thanked and each received a piece of plate to the value of fifty guineas.

12th October 1815 LLC 18

Sold Walker & Maltby 100 casks of litharge at £22 ton.

26th October 1815 LLC 18

Sold 2511 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/4 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£675 0s 8d). Sold Locke & Co 100 casks of litharge at £22 ton and all the slag lead say 3265 pieces deliverable at Newcastle at £18 10s fother and 2500 pieces of common lead at £20 fother and £2500 pieces of refined lead at £21 fother at Newcastle.

2nd November 1815 LLC 18

Sold Alderson & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £24 and 1000 pieces of common lead at £20 fother at Newcastle.

30th November 1815 LLC 18

Sold 2330 oz of North silver at 5/5 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£631 4s 0d).

28th December 1815 LLC 18

Sold 1924 oz 18 pw of North silver at 5/4 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£517 6s 5d).

29th December 1815 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor

Mr James Palmer Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay junr
Mr Anthony Horne
Charles Mills Esq
Mr Isaac Warner
Mr James Williams

Mr John Hillersdon
Mr Thomas How Masterman
Mr Charles Pearson
Mr Thomas Weston
Mr John Masterman

29th December 1815 LLC 18

Sold Alderson & Co 1000 pieces of common lead at £18 fother and 2000 pieces refined at £19 fother at Newcastle.

4th January 1816 LLC 18

Sold Messrs Alderson & Co 1000 pieces of common lead at £18 fother and 2000 pieces of refined lead at £19 fother at Newcastle.

11th January 1816

Thursday next being appointed as a day of Thanksgiving the Court agreed the next Court day to be Friday 19th Jan.

The 18th January was to be observed as a day of General Thanksgiving for the re-establishment of peace with France.

19th January 1816 LLC 18

Sold Locke & Co 3500 pieces of refined lead at £19 fother and 1500 pieces of common lead at £18 fother at Newcastle.

25th January 1816 LLC 18

Sold 2077 oz of North silver at 5/4 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£558 4s 8d).

4th February 1816 LLC 18

The Court affixed the Company seal to the conveyance of the Company House at Alston dated the 31st January 1816.

15th February 1816 LLC 18

The Court took into consideration Thomas Dodd's and Robert Staggs list of Christmas bargains and resolved.

That the number of men to be employed at the Ladyday bargains in the Company's mines be reduced with the exception of such only as May be employed upon Old pickings and where no extra charge attaches to the concern beyond the price per Bing.

That not any bargains be let higher than 28s per Bing with the above exception of Old pickings.

That Robert Staggs be appointed Superintendent of the Weardale mines.

29th February 1816 LLC 18

Sold 2811 oz 6 pw of North silver at 5/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£749 13s 10d).

The secretary forwarded to the Company works the following Gunpowder.

50 half barrels CB

80 half barrels FB

100 quarter barrels CB

140 quarter barrels FB

21st March 1816 LLC 18

Sold 2733 oz of North silver at 5/3 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£723 3s 2d).

Sold to Walker & Maltby 100 casks of litharge at £20 ton.

28th March 1816 LLC 39
Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending 5th April.

And the Property Tax shall not be deducted but paid by the Company.

18th April 1816 LLC 18

Resolved that a special Court be appointed on the 25th September, to take into consideration the state of the Company's affairs in the North in consequence of the death of Mr. Thomas Dodd.

25th April 1816 LLC 18

Sold 2186 oz 16 pw of North silver at 5/1 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£555 16s 5d). That in consequence of the death of Thomas Dodd, Mr Robert Stagg be appointed General Superintendent of the Company's mines and concerns in the North with the addition to his salary of £100 per annum to commence from Ladyday last.

2nd May 1816 LLC 18

The Ladyday Bargains showed a reduction of upwards of 30 men in Teesdale and upwards of 40 men in Alston Moor and Weardale.

9th May 1816 LLC 18

That a deputation of the Court to proceed to the Company's works in the North to confer with their principle agent various important points made in his letter received this day. Thomas Masterman, John Masterman and James Williams were asked to be the deputation.

16th May 1816 LLC 18

Mr Thomas Dodd attended the Court respecting his situation and was informed that a deputation from the Court would be in the North in about 14 days. John Masterman requested to be excused as one of the deputation due to ill health. John Hillersdon was asked to replace him.

23rd May 1816 LLC 18

The Court gave the deputation the power to discharge such of the Company's Agents, accountants, or servants as they shall find occasion to do according to their discretion.

30th May 1816 LLC 18

Sold 1512 oz 14 pw of North silver at 5/11/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£387 12s 7d).

6th June 1816 LLC 18

Sold Alderson & co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother at Newcastle.

13th June 1816 LLC 18

Sold Maltby & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £16 fother, 4000 pieces of common at £15, and 1000 pieces of slag lead at £14 fother. Also 100 casks of litharge at £17 ton.

25th July 1816 LLC 18

The report from the deputation was read, the deputation was thanked and each received a piece of plate to the value of fifty guineas.

1st August 1816 LLC 18

A subscription of £100 was made for the suffering poor of this Country.

8th August 1816 LLC 18

Mr Maltby for Self & Partners bought	4000 pieces refined lead at £16 per fother
	4000 pieces Common at £15 per fother
	<u>1000</u> pieces of Slag at £14 per fother
	9000 payments 7, 8 & 9 months

Ordered that the Act of Parliament for the more effectually to punish, riotously, destroying, machinery at mines to be sent to Mr. Stagg.

15th August 1816 LLC 18

Sold Locke & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £16 fother 2000 pieces of common at £15 and 500 pieces of slag lead at £14 fother.

29th August 1816 LLC 18

Sold 1621 oz 19 pw of North silver at 5/0 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£405 9s 9d).

19th September 1816 LLC 18

Sold Parker & Co 60 casks of litharge at £17 ton.

26th September 1816 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas.

26th September 1816 LLC 18

Sold 2769 oz 1 pw of North silver at 5/0 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£692 5s 5d).

24th October 1816 LLC 18

Sold Maltby & Co 8000 pieces of refined lead at £16 fother, 4000 pieces of common at £15 and 1500 pieces of slag lead at £14 fother delivered at Newcastle.
£17 12s 6d was paid to N Springal for a Compass watch sent to Mr. Stagg.

31st October 1816 LLC 18

Sold 2786 oz 16 pw of North silver at 5/0 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£696 13s 9d).
Sold Messrs Parker & co 100 casks of litharge at £17 ton.
Sold Locke & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £16 fother, 1500 pieces common lead at £15,
and 500 pieces of slag lead at £14 10s fother.

21st November 1816 LLC 18

Sold Alderson & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £17 fother at Newcastle.

28th November 1816 LLC 18

Sold 2797 oz 12 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£693 11s 3d).

Mr Richard Peckover Harris attended the Court this day & qualified.

5th December 1816 LLC 18

Resolved that a subscription of £100 be given to the relief of the poor in Spittlefields &c. vicinity.

Mr James Horne attended the Court this day & qualified.

12th December 1816 LLC 18

The lease for Stella wharf from Perigrine Edward Townley, was renewed dated 25 May **1816** for 21 years at a rent of £50 per annum.

19th December 1816 LLC 18

The Court took into consideration the case of two of their workmen having met with an accident by the falling in of two of the mines. The Court agreed to allow a pension to them. £20 to William Walton per annum.
£10 to Richard Bell per annum.

26th December 1816 LLC 18

Sold 2853 oz 4 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£707 7s 2d).

30th December 1816 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Jacob Hagen Governor	
Mr James Palmer Deputy Governor	
Assistants	
Mr Robert Barclay	Mr John Hillersdon
Mr James Horne	Mr Thomas How Masterman
Mr John Masterman	Charles Mills Esq
Mr Charles Pearson	Mr Isaac Warner junr
Mr Kilpin Warner	Mr James Williams

23rd January 1817 LLC 18

Sold 2319 oz 8 pw of North silver at 5/01 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£584 13s 9d).

6th February 1817 LLC 18

Parker & Co bought 10000 pieces of lead 7000 refined at £17 and 3000 common at £16 fother delivered at Newcastle.

27th February 1817 LLC 18

Sold 2546 oz of North silver at 5/1 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£647 2s 2d).

Sold to Locke & Co 3500 pieces of refined lead at £17 fother, and 1500 pieces of common lead at £16 fother.

The Court expressed their wish to oppose the Bill about to be brought to Parliament to make proprietors of lead mines liable to contribute to the poor rate.

The list of Christmas Bargains showed the number of men employed are increased by 29 since last quarter.

27th March 1817 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending 5th April.

27th March 1817 LLC 18

Sold 2469 oz 8 pw of North silver at 5/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£632 15s 7d).

17th April 1817 LLC 18

Sold to Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother and 1000 pieces of slag lead at £16 10s fother at Newcastle.

24th April 1817 LLC 18

Sold 2884 oz 7 pw of North silver at 5/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£739 2s 8d).

Sold Locke & Co 2500 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother and 500 pieces of slag lead at £16 10s fother at Newcastle.

22nd May 1817 LLC 18

Sold 1625 oz 4 pw of North silver at 5/3 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£426 12s 2d).

29th May 1817 LLC 18

Sold Thomas Claverley & Co 5 tons of lead fume at £18 ton.

26th June 1817 LLC 18

Sold 1982 oz 12 pw of North silver at 5/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£512 3s 5d).
The Court took into consideration Mr Stagg's reports of the state of the mines and Ladyday Bargains by which it appears that the number of men employed are increased since last quarter by 31.

24th July 1817 LLC 18

Sold 1963 oz 9 pw of North silver at 5/3 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£519 10s 2d).

4th September 1817 LLC 18

Sold Alderson & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother at Newcastle.

11th September 1817 LLC 18

Sold 2437 oz 1 pw of North silver at 5/3 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£639 14s 9d).

18th September 1817 LLC 18

Sold Locke & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother, 1000 pieces of common at £19, and 2000 pieces of slag lead at £18 10s fother at Newcastle.

25th September 1817 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 12 shillings 6 pence per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending Michaelmas.

25th September 1817 LLC 18

Sold 2660 oz 6 pw of North silver at 5/3 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£698 6s 7d).
Sold to Maltby & Co 7000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother, 3000 pieces of common at £19, and 2000 pieces of slag lead at £18 10s fother at Newcastle.

16th October 1817 LLC 18

Sold 100 casks of litharge at £21 ton to Maltby & Co.

23rd October 1817 LLC 18

Messrs John Lock & Co purchased 100 casks of Litharge at £20 per ton, 6 months credit.
Resolved unanimously that the thanks of this Court be given the gentlemen for their indefatigable attention & exertions for the benefit of the Company on their late visit to the North and very able report thereon and they be requested to accept a piece of plate each of the value of fifty guineas. (*Thomas How Masterman, Kilpin Warner & James Williams had been the Deputation to the North*)

Mr Tilson was instructed to prepare a deed of settlement to Robert Stagg.

Mr. Tilson brought to the Court £110 15s 6d the payment for Boltshaw mine.

6th November 1817 LLC 18

Sold 2509 oz 7 pw of North silver at 5/3 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£663 18s 11d).

13th November 1817 LLC 18

Sold Maltby & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £22 fother, 2000 common at £21 a fother and any slag lead left at £20 10s fother at Newcastle.

Sold Locke & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £22 fother, 2000 common at £21 a fother and any slag lead left at £20 10s fother at Newcastle.

Sold Alderson & co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 fother and 1000 pieces of common lead at £21 fother.

20th November 1817 LLC 18

The list of Michaelmas Bargains showed that the number of men employed are increased since last quarter by 17.

27th November 1817 LLC 18

Sold Locke & Co 100 casks of litharge at £24 ton delivered at Newcastle.

Sold Maltby & Co 100 casks of litharge at £24 ton at Newcastle.

Sold 2944 oz 3 pw of North silver at 5/31/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£778 12s 4d).

4th December 1817 LLC 18

Thomas Masterman paid the Court £704 9s for silver sold to him.

18th December 1817 LLC 18

Sold 2168 oz 7 pw of North silver at 5/31/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£573 14s 5d).

The Court affixed the Seal to the Deeds of Trust from the Court to Robert Stagg (£300 to be invested by the Court).

26th December 1817 LLC 18

Resolved unanimously that the thanks of this Court be presented to Mr Hagen, Governor, for his long service and uniform attention to the interests of this Company and that this Court in their sincere regret on his retirement wish him many years of health & happiness.

Resolved also that the thanks of this Court be presented to Messrs Mills & Pearson for their constant attention to the concerns of this Company during a period of many years, accompanied by their sincere regret at their resignation and best wishes for their health & happiness.

29th December 1817 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr James Palmer Governor

Mr Thomas How Masterman Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr John Hillersdon

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr James Horne

Mr Jacob Hagen junr

Mr Charles Mills junr

Mr Charles Pearson junr

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Octavius Wigram

8th January 1818 LLC 18

Deed of trust from the Court to Robert Stagg is received by the Court and deposited in the Tin box.

29th January 1818 LLC 18

Ordered that a Geological map be purchased off Mr. Smith for the use of the Court.

19th February 1818 LLC 18

Sold 2663 oz 10 pw of North silver at 5/4 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£715 16s 4d).

Ordered that a plan be taken of the recent purchases made by the Company at Nenthead, also a plan of the company estates at Middleton, including the recent purchases and exchange of land with Lord Darlington.

Resolved that two schools as recommended by Mr. Stagg in his letter of the 7th January be established. They gave directions to Robert Stagg to prepare a building at Middleton in Teesdale and another in Nenthead in Alston Moor, each capable of accommodating 200 children to be opened as schools on the 1st day of next May, and by a resolution of this Court held on the 19th February 1818 it was ordered That the masters of the said schools should be members of the Church of England and that the children be required to attend public worship twice every Sunday leaving the option of the place to the parents.

26th February 1818 LLC 18

The list of Christmas Bargains show the number of men employed are 643 an increase since last quarter 58.

Valued the price of lead for the year ending 30th September 1817 as:

Lead	£18 to £19 fother
Ore	55s to 65 s per bing
Litharge	£20 ton
Fume	£15 ton
Ashes	6/- bushel

12th March 1818 LLC 18

Mr Robert Barclay brought to the Court three receipts for the Transfer of the Company's funds into the names of James Palmer, Thomas How Masterman, John Hillersdon & Robert Barclay Esq^{rs}. Viz.

£100,000	Three per cent reduced
£100,000	Navy five per cent
£85,000	Three per cent Consols

Mr Thomas Masterman attended the Court & qualified.

19th March 1818 LLC 18

Sold 2025 oz 12 pw of North silver at 5/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£540 3s 2d).

26th March 1818 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending Ladyday.

A motion was made and seconded that the salary of the Governor be increased to £100 and that of the Deputy Governor to £50 per annum. Resolved unanimously.

16th April 1818 LLC 18

The Committee of Accounts having taken the subject of the mode of keeping the Company's accounts into consideration are of opinion that a change in the mode of keeping them is desirable & upon the following grounds do report.

1. They are of opinion that the actual state of the Company's property ought to form the basis of all the accounts, that this is not the case at present in as much as conjectural profit or loss has been made to arise out of the different stages of the Company's operations whereas the real profit or loss to the Company arises from the balance of the sales of the manufactured produce beyond the expense included in raising it. That in consequence of this system very

complex and extensive calculations are necessary in valuing the produce as it is transferred from one stage of its manufacture to another which valuation do not determine the actual profit & loss.

The Committee propose only to value the stock upon hand at the close of the year and to dispense with the valuation of the produce as it passes from the mines to the mills.

The Committee also submit that by the present system of assuming profit upon the contracts pending with the merchants the Company has been in the practice of annually taking credit for profit, which has not been actually realised.

That the proposed alteration may be adopted without the form of the statements rendered by Mr Stagg & Mr Hewitson or removing any checks upon the correctness of the accounts, but on the contrary lessen the liability to error by greatly reducing the number of cross entries at present necessary upon the closing of the annual accounts & making the items in the books to correspond with the statement.

That the Committee are therefore of opinion that a new ledger should be opened to commence with the balance of the 30th September 1817 and that the proposed alteration should be carried into effect.

In conclusion the Committee of Accounts submit to the Court that they feel reluctant to disturb arrangements which are of long standing & which they take for granted were judiciously adopted in the then existing circumstances of the Company's affairs but which appear in the judgment of the Committee to be no longer desirable or appropriate under the different situation in which they now stand.

Signed, Robert Barclay, Jacob Hagen junr, Charles Mills junr, Charles Pearson junr.

The same was unanimously approved.

30th April 1818 LLC 18

Sold 2661 oz 18 pw of North silver at 5/5 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£726 9s 6d).

The Committee of Mines were asked to look into the lease for Coldberry mine in order to acquaint Robert Stagg of the boundary.

7th May 1818 LLC 18

The Committee of Mines made an extract from the lease of Ireshope Fell, which it appears to them to contain the only description of Coldberry mine.

Ordered. That the Secretary wait on Messrs Tilson & Preston to request them to deliver to him the deed of agreement between Col Beaumont & the Company relating to the Weardale mines.

James Stedman was appointed messenger to the Court at a salary of £20 per annum.

14th May 1818 LLC 18

Sold 10000 pieces of lead, two thirds refined at £24 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £23 and £22 10s.

Sold Messrs Walker & Parker of Newcastle 2500 pieces of lead, two thirds refined at £24 fother, one third common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £23 and £22 10s.

The Court took into consideration Mr Stagg's report of the Ladyday bargains by which it appears that the number of men employed are 667 being a decrease of 128 men since last quarter.

Mr Tilson attended the Court and communicated a correspondence, which he had had with Mr Bainbridge on the subject of sundry purchases agreed to be made by the Company at Nenthead &c. He was requested to write a further letter to Mr Bainbridge on the subject and inform the Court the result.

The Agreement between Col Beaumont and the Company to compromise a dispute about the working the mines in Weardale was delivered this day by Mr Tilson.

21st May 1818 LLC 18

Sold 2435 oz 14 pw of North silver at 5/5 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£664 14s 10d).

Mr Tilson brought back to the Court the Agreement between Col Beaumont & the Company bearing the date 17th August 1810. (*to be deposited in the Company's tin box*)

Mr Morrison waited on the Court with a petition to the House of Commons relative to the Bill on the Poor Laws, requesting the Company's signature to it; which upon due consideration of the subject contained therein the Court declined accordingly.

Resolved That it is the opinion of this Court that Mr Tilson be desired to watch the progress of the Bill now pending in the House of Commons relative to the Poor Rates and that he report from time to time any case that may occur. Also that Mr Tilson may take such measures as he may think expedient for the interests of the Company.

Resolved that a committee consisting of the Deputy Governor, Messrs Hillersdon, Mills & Poynder do confer with Mr Tilson as may be necessary and that any two members of the said committee be a quorum.

Ordered That the secretary & accountant go to Battersea with the lease of Stanhope Mill & Mine to enquire whether Mr Rippon has left London, if he has to forward the lease to Mr Stagg.

28th May 1818 LLC 18

Pursuant to minute of last Court the secretary and accountant waited on Mr Rippon at Battersea with the lease of Stanhope Mill and mine, which he executed.

The Committee appointed to confer with Mr Tilson respecting the Mine Assessment Bill. Report that they have received a letter from Mr Tilson acquainting them that the Bill is withdrawn.

The Committee of accounts reported.

That they have gone into the necessary investigation & corrections of the balances as brought forward in the Old ledger in order to make them conform to the real balances as stated in the accounts rendered by the agents in the North, the difference between them having arisen by the delivery of small for large pieces of lead, Refined lead for Common &c. of which no notice had been taken in the statement rendered by the Company's agents as from the agent at Newcastle not sending regular accounts of the deliveries as they take place.

That they have opened the new ledger in which they have charged the different Mills & the Company's Wharf at Stella with the stocks actually remaining at each on the 30th September last.

That they have carried the credit balance of the last account in the old ledger consisting of lead sold & delivered to an account in the new ledger which will be discharged by the contracts pending the 30th September as they are completed.

That the remaining balance of the lead account consisting of the stock in hand is carried to the debit of the Company's wharf and the several mills.

The committee have to notice to the Court that there will be a reduction of £2644 1s 11d in the balance of stock resting at the close of year (as stated by the committee in their report of the 26 March last) which arises partly from the low valuation fixed by the Court upon the lead pending sold at a higher price which lead has now been estimated & brought forward in the balance of stock resting exactly at the contract price and partly from the irregularities in the account from Newcastle as above noticed. The balance of stock resting after these corrections will then be £286,184 12s 1d which amount is accordingly brought forward in the new ledger to the Company's credit.

Resolved That a remuneration of fifty guineas be granted to Mr Thomas Smith for his professional assistance in closing the Old & opening the New Ledger upon the system recommended in the report of the Committee of Accounts under the date of the 16th April last.

Mr Tilson attended the Court and read a letter which he had received from Mr Bainbridge relative to the title of a piece of Copyhold ground at Stanhope agreed to be purchased by the Company.

Resolved That the Court should complete the purchase.

11th June 1818 LLC 18

Sold John Locke & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £24 fother, 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £23 fother.

25th June 1818 LLC 18

Sold 3388 oz 15 pw of North silver at 5/5 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£619 17s 8d).

Mr Tilson attended the Court respecting a purchase agreed to be made by the Company of grounds at Nenthead. Mr John Hillersdon was nominated to be the trustee to the same.

The Governor announced to the Court the death of the Company's late secretary Robert Tippler.

1st July 1818 LLC 18

Resolved that Charles Magnus Thomas be secretary for the remainder of the present year.

16th July 1818 LLC 18

Mr Maltby having attended the court this day and stated a complaint was made to him by the purchasers of some lead at Bombay, part of which of the Company. Requesting to know the opinion of the Court at the next meeting as to the course he was to pursue.

It was Resolved that the Deputy Governor be requested to communicate to Mr Maltby that any proposition on which he wished to have the opinion of the Court be laid before them in writing.

Ordered That the secretary subscribe £20 on behalf of the Company for twelve copies of Mr Thomas Preston's New System of Commercial Arithmetic.

The Committee for considering of the salary & duties of the Secretary and accountant having met and taken the subject into consideration submit the following report.

The Salary of the Secretary to be continued at £300 per annum, £50 per annum be allowed him for Coals, Candles &c.

That fifty pounds be advanced for the prompt discharge of the monthly incidentals & expenses.

That the Secretary reside in the Company's House in St Martin's Lane and take the general charge of the Company's property there together with all books papers &c. and that the key to the Company's safe be committed to his custody.

The Accountant to have a salary of £200 per annum.

Charles Deane was unanimously elected accountant in the room of Charles Magnus Thomas (*now appointed Secretary*)

9th July 1818 LLC 18

Sold Hamelin & Co 20 tons of litharge at £25 ton.

23rd July 1818 LLC 18

Sold 1972 oz of North silver at 5/5 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£534 1s 11d).

The Probate of the will of Jacob Hagen formerly of Mill Street in the Parish of St Mary Magdalene, Bermondsey in the County of Surrey but late of Peckham in the same County deceased. Appointing Margaret Hagen widow & relict, Jacob Hagen the son of the deceased and Edward Upcher Brockway executors under the seal of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury dated 5th June 1818 was exhibited and allowed.

6th August 1818 LLC 18

The Midsummer Bargains show the number of men employed are 650 being a decrease of 17 men since last quarter.

13th August 1818 LLC 18

Sold John Locke & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £25 fother, 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £24 fother, slag lead at £23 10s.

Sold Maltby & Co 6000 pieces of refined lead at £25 fother, 4000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £24 fother, slag lead at £23 10s. Also 100 casks of litharge at £26 ton.

10th September 1818 LLC 18

Sold Thomas Cheveley 7 ton of lead fume at £20 ton.

17th September 1818 LLC 18

Sold 3589 oz of North silver at 5/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£957 1s 0d).

24th September 1818 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas.

22nd October 1818 LLC 18

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of slag lead at £24 10s fother, and 100 casks of litharge at £27 ton at Newcastle.

5th November 1818 LLC 18

Sold 3139 oz 8 pw of North silver at 5/4 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£843 14s 1d). Mr. Tilson attended the Court and stated his opinion that Stanhope mill was made liable to Poor Rate in consequence of the Company purchasing ore off Mr. Rippon and smelting the same at the mill.

It was agreed that a sum not exceeding £100 be spent on the purchase of a mineral collection for the use of the Company's Superintendent.

12th November 1818 LLC 18

The Michaelmas Bargains list shows the number of men employed are 660 being an increase of 10 men since last quarter.

26th November 1818 LLC 18

Sold 6000 pieces of refined lead at £26 fother, 4000 pieces of common lead at £25 fother.

Sold 1736 oz 14 pw of North silver at 5/6 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£477 11s 7d).

3rd December 1818 LLC 18

Sold John Locke & co 4000 pieces of refined lead, and 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) slag lead at £24 10s.

Sold Locke & Blackett of Newcastle 1500 pieces of refined lead at £26 fother and 500 pieces of common lead at £25 fother.

17th December 1818 LLC 18

Resolved that Mr. Barclay, Mr. Pearson and Mr. Poynder be requested to propose to the Court two school masters properly qualified members of the Church of England for conducting the schools at Middleton and Nenthead.

24th December 1818 LLC 18

Sold 2605 oz 11 pw of North silver at 5/4 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£700 5s 1d). Resolved that a remuneration of Fifty pounds be made to Dr. McWhirter for his expenses and attendance upon the Company's workmen at Middleton.

4th January 1819 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr James Palmer Governor

Mr Thomas How Masterman Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr James Williams

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Charles Pearson junr

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr John Masterman

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Mills junr

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr Octavius Wigram

19th January 1819 LLC 18

Sold 2205 oz 7 pw of North silver at 5/5 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£601 18s 11d).

In response to information brought to the Court from the Bishop of Durham with reference to schools the Court gave the following reply.

That the Court do express its warm approbation of the Bishop of Durham's very benevolent design of establishing a certain number of schools in Weardale in the County of Durham as intimated to the Court by the Deputation of its members who visited the Company's works in the month of August last and more particularly communicated to the Court by the Reverend George Newby of Witton le Wear on the 14th instant and that this Court is deeply impressed with the importance of instructing the children of the poor miners and others have already given directions to their Superintendent Mr Stagg to prepare a building at Middleton in Teesdale and another at Nenthead in Alston Moor each capable of accommodating two hundred children to be opened as schools on the first day of next May and by a resolution of the Court held on the 19th February 1818 "That the masters of the said schools should be members of the Church of England and that the children be required to attend public worship twice every Sunday leaving the option of the place to their parents"

That in these schools the Court anxiously hope all the children of the workmen employed in Teesdale and Alston Moor will receive the Rudiments of Religion and useful education and in some degree realise the expectations entertained by the Bishop of Durham, but that this Court fully sensible of the importance of extending the benefits of education as proposed by his Lordship are willing in addition to the establishments they have already ordered to contribute the sum of four hundred pounds in aid of his Lordships benevolent and pious design.

18th February 1819 LLC 18

The Court came to the resolution of valuing the price of lead &c. for the year ending 30th September 1818 viz.

Lead	£22 and £23 per fother
Ore	65/- and 75/- per Bing
Litharge	£24 per Ton
Fume	£15
Bone Ashes	6/- per Bushel

25th February 1819 LLC 18

The Christmas Bargains show the number of men employed are 633 being a decrease of 27 men since last quarter.

18th March 1819 LLC 18

Sold 2188 oz 16 pw of North silver at 5/5 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£592 16 0d).

25th March 1819 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending this present Ladyday.

25th March 1819 LLC 18

Mr Hutchinson applied to the Court on behalf of the land owners on the subject of Mr Morritts intended Bill for charging mines with Poor Rate and left a proposed clause to be inserted in the Bill together with printed observations.

Mr Tilson was consulted on the claim made by Col Beaumont for interest on the amount paid by him to the Bishop of Durham for the duty ore account of last year, he was decidedly of the opinion that the Company were not liable and was directed to write to Mr Stagg after referring to papers in his possession on the subject.

15th April 1819 LLC 18

The Court ordered that the fitting up of the schools at Middleton and Nenthead belonging to the Company be left to Robert Stagg.

The Court once again expressed that they would oppose Mr. Morritt's Bill "For the more effectually rating the rents, tolls, dues or other clear profits of proprietors of mines of metal, to the maintenance of the poor".

They asked Robert Stagg to organise a petition to oppose the Bill.

17th April 1819 LLC 18

Mr Tilson having brought to the Court the draught of a petition to the House of Commons against Mr Morritt's proposed Bill to be forwarded to Mr Stagg to obtain signatures in the country the Court approved the same and requested Mr Tilson to transmit the petition to Mr Stagg.

Resolved that Mr. Tilson be requested to draw up a list of objections against Mr. Morritt's Bill in order to have them printed for circulation amongst members of the Houses of Commons and Lords.

22nd April 1819 LLC 18

Sold 2800 oz of North silver at 5/6 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£769 19s 9d).

Petition to be presented to the House of Commons against Mr Morritt's Bill.

The Humble Petition of the Governor and Company for Smelting down lead with Pit coal and Sea coal.

Sheweth

That your petitioners are possessed of and largely interested in various mines and mining ground and veins of lead ore metals and minerals in the North of England of some of which they are proprietors and of others lessees and workers.

That your petitioners have seen a Bill now pending in your Honourable House entitled a Bill "for more effectually rating the Rents, Tolls, Dues, or other clear profits of proprietors and owners of mines of metal to the maintenance of the poor".

That the same Bill if passed into a law will as your petitioners conceive prove prejudicial to mining in general and highly detrimental to the rights and interests of your petitioners.

Your petitioners therefore most humbly pray that they May be heard by themselves, their agents, counsel and witnesses against the said Bill or so much thereof as May affect them

or that your petitioners May have such other relief in the premises as to your Honourable House shall seem meet.

The Court affixed the Company's seal to the said petition.

29th April 1819 LLC 18

The Court were informed that the Bill was lost in the second reading being 77 against the Bill and 43 for it.

6th May 1819 LLC 18

Mr Francis Joseph James was appointed Master of the school at Middleton at a Salary of one hundred pounds per annum to commence the 1st May.

27th May 1819 LLC 18

Sold 2309 oz 6 pw of North silver at 5/3 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£606 4s 1d).
Ordered that the secretary purchase the books etc. requested by Mr. James for the Company's school in Middleton.

17th June 1819 LLC 18

Sold 2497 oz 16 pw of North silver at 5/21/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£650 9s 5d).

1st July 1819 LLC 18

The Ladyday Bargains show the number of men employed are 653 being an increase of 20 men since last quarter.

Mr Henry Tucker was appointed schoolmaster at Nenthead at a salary of one hundred pounds per annum to commence from Midsummer last.

8th July 1819 LLC 18

Following receipt of a letter from Mr. Stagg the Court revoked their appointment of Mr. Tucker as schoolmaster at Nenthead. Mr. Tucker was awarded 10 guineas to reimburse him his expenses.

22nd July 1819 LLC 18

Sold 2378 oz 12 pw of North silver at 5/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£614 9s 5d).

19th August 1819 LLC 18

The Midsummer Bargains show the number of men employed are 583 being a decrease of 70 men since last quarter.

9th September 1819 LLC 18

Sold 2258 oz 9 pw of North silver at 5/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£583 8s 11d).

16th September 1819 LLC 18

Sold to Maltby & Co 10000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother, 5000 pieces of common lead at £19 fother, and 2000 pieces of slag lead at £18 10s fother.

23rd September 1919 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas.

23rd September 1819 LLC 18

Sold 2223 oz 18 pw of North silver at 5/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£574 10 2d).

Sold John Locke & Co 6000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother, 3000 pieces of common lead at £19 fother.

Sold Maltby & co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother, and 2000 pieces of slag lead at £18 10s fother, also 100 casks of litharge at £21 ton.

30th September 1819 LLC 18

Sold 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 fother, 2000 pieces of common lead at £20 fother.

Sold Locke & Blackett 1500 pieces of refined lead at £21 fother, and 500 pieces of common lead at £20 fother.

7th October 1819 LLC 18

That in consequence of a letter from Mr. Stagg Thomas Dodd be dismissed from the Company's employ.

14th October 1819 LLC 18

Following the dismissal of Thomas Dodd, Mr. Bonomi was told to stop all proceedings relating to the house ordered at Middleton until further notice.

28th October 1819 LLC 18

Sold 2725 oz 3 pw of North silver at 5/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£704 0s 2d).

Sold Maltby & co 10000 pieces of lead. Two thirds refined at £21 fother, one third common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £20, and also 100 casks of litharge at £22 ton.

Sold Mr Farnworth & Co 10000 pieces of lead. Two thirds refined at £21 fother, one-third common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £20.

A petition from Thomas Dodd respecting his dismissal from the Company employ accompanied by a letter of recommendation of his case signed by several inhabitants of Middleton, Alston and Weardale was presented to the Court by Mr. Thomas Richardson of Lombard street and upon full consideration of the same the Court find no reason to alter their decision respecting Thomas Dodd and the Court cannot but express their surprise and regrets that so many respectable characters should have signed a letter in such terms.

An application having been made to the Court requesting their aid to a subscription for the benefit of Mr. Thomas Preston late of Tooley Street, Lead merchant and his family to enable them to avail themselves of the present offer of Government to emigrate to the Cape of Good Hope resolve unanimously that the sum of £100 be subscribed for the above purpose.

4th September 1819 LLC 18

Sold John Locke & Co 100 casks of litharge at £20 ton.

Mr Thomas Dodd attended and requested to be heard before the Court, on being called in he said he was ignorant of the charges which had been made against him by Mr Stagg, but on examination this did not appear the fact, he was therefore desired to withdraw when the Court Resolved that he should be acquainted that they were confirmed in the opinion they had formed.

The Secretary reported that Mr Tinkler had called upon him and expressed his inclination to dispose of his land at Middleton & offering the same to the Court.

Ordered. That the secretary write a line to Mr Tinkler to inform him that if he will communicate the particulars & the price it should be laid before the Court.

18th November 1819 LLC 18

Sold 1832 oz 19 pw of North silver at 5/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£473 10s 0d).

25th November 1819 LLC 18

Sold Francis & Whites 10 tons of litharge.

The list of Michaelmas bargains showed that the number of men employed are 683 being an increase of 100 men since last quarter.

The Court having taken into their consideration Mr Stagg's observations on the projected Iron Railway, through Auckland to Stockton together with the calculations annexed thereto, and although it is assumed that some advantage might arise from a reduced rate of carriage, yet when the expense of an establishment is considered, and that for the additional weight of the Stockton fother no additional price can be expected and further that the diverting of a large quantity of the Company's lead from the principal market would be likely to operate to their prejudice. The Court see no grounds for engaging in the measure.

2nd December 1819 LLC 18

Sold to Farnworth & Co 1400 pieces of refined lead at £23 fother, and 700 pieces of common lead at £22 fother.

9th December 1819 LLC 18

Sold Maltby & co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £23 fother and 1000 pieces of common lead at £22 fother.

23rd December 1819 LLC 18

Sold 2163 oz 1 pw of North silver at 5/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£558 16s 0d).

30th December 1819 LLC 18

Sold Messrs Cheveley 7 tons of lead fume at £18 ton.

3rd January 1820 LLC 39

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr James Palmer Governor

Mr Thomas How Masterman Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr John Masterman

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr John Hillersdon

Mr James Williams

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Pearson junr

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

5th January 1820 LLC 19

The Court heard from the Rev. George Newby that the Bishop of Durham had ordered a proper Deed of Endowment to be prepared on the sum of two thousand pounds to be invested for maintenance of the schools erected in Weardale by his Lordship. Mr Newby informed the Court that seven schools were already built and nearly in such a "state of forwardness as to be nearly for receiving the children".

20th January 1820 LLC 19

Sold Maltby & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £23 fother, and 1000 pieces of common lead at £22 fother.

27th January 1820 LLC 19

Sold 1979 oz 8 pw of North silver at 5/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£511 6s 11d).

24th February 1820 LLC 19

Sold 2627 oz 17 pw of North silver at 5/11/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£678 17s 6d).

The Court affixed their Seal to the conveyance of Egglestone smelt mill. This was forwarded to Mr. Bainbridge at Alston.

23rd March 1820 LLC 19

Sold 2281 oz 1 pw of North silver at 5/11/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£589 5s 8d).

30th March 1820 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday last.

20th April 1820 LLC 19

Sold 1929 oz 8 pw of North silver at 5/1 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£490 8s 0d).

11th May 1820 LLC 19

Mr Stagg's quarterly report of the mines and lists of Christmas Bargains were read and taken into consideration... it appears that the number of men employed was 726 being an increase of 43.

18th May 1820 LLC 19

Sold 1835 oz 12 pw of North silver at 5/0 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£462 14s 5d).

Sold Farnworth & Co 100 casks of litharge at £24 ton.

Sold Maltby & Co 7000 pieces of refined lead at £23 fother, 3000 pieces of common lead at £22 fother and 2000 pieces of slag lead at £21 10s fother.

Sold Francis & White 33 casks of litharge at £24 ton.

15th June 1820 LLC 19

Sold 1790 oz 3 pw of North silver at 5/0 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£447 11 0d).

6th July 1820 LLC 19

Sold Francis & White 40 casks of litharge at £24 ton.

20th July 1820 LLC 19

Sold 2538 oz 1 pw of North silver at 5/0 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£634 10s 6d).

14th September 1820 LLC 19

Sold Francis & White 4 casks of litharge at £24 ton.

21st September 1820 LLC 19

Sold 2587 oz 19 pw of North silver at 5/0 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£646 19s 6d).

Sold Thompson Farnworth & Co 10000 pieces of lead, two thirds refined at £23 fother, one-third common (including 1/10 slag lead) £22 fother.

28th September 1820 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas.

5th October 1820 LLC 19

Sold to Walker & Maltby 2000 pieces of slag lead at £21 10s.

Sold 10000 pieces of lead to Thompson & Farnworth, two thirds refined at £23, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £22 fother.

12th October 1820 LLC 19

Sold 4212 oz 7 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£1044 6s 6d).

Sold Locke & Blackett 30 barrels of litharge at £24 ton.

19th October 1820 LLC 19

Sold Walker & Maltby 1000 pieces of slag lead at £21 10s fother.

Sold John Locke & Co 1500 pieces of slag lead at £21 10s fother.

9th November 1820 LLC 19

The Court resolved that Mr. Jacob Hagen be requested to purchase 200 copies of the Bible and forward them to Robert Stagg for his distribution to the workmen in the employ of the Company and the children at their schools as he shall think fit. (*Jacob Hagen had been part of a deputation to the North, which had just returned along with Thomas Masterman and James Williams*)

16th November 1820 LLC 19

Sold 6172 oz 18 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£1530 7s 4d).

21st December 1820 LLC 19

Took into consideration Mr Stagg's report on the state of the mines at the termination of the year on the 31 October last. Examined the several Bargain lists arranged for ore raising and Dead Work etc. for the first quarter of the year commencing the 1 November last. Examined the plan and detail of Dufton mines in Westmorland and Bargains list for the year 1821.

The Court have derived considerable gratification from the report of the present very flourishing state of the Teesdale district and the flattering appearance in Weardale also that several of the various trials in Alston Moor are approaching their objective.

28th December 1820 LLC 19

Sold 3160 oz 9 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£783 10s 10d).

3rd January 1821 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr James Palmer Governor

Mr Thomas How Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr James Williams

Mr John Masterman

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr John Hillersdon

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Mills junr

Mr Octavius Wigram

18th January 1821 LLC 19

The Court took into consideration Mr Stagg's letters of the 1st and 8th instant relating to the delivery of lead to Stockton instead of Newcastle.

Resolved that such lead as would be received at Stockton by the merchants to whom the court made sales should be sent there, but that the Court should not establish any depot at that place.

25th January 1821 LLC 19

Sold 2647 oz 5 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£656 6s 2d).

1st February 1821 LLC 19

Sold Maltby & Co 100 casks of litharge at £25 ton.

Valued the price of lead for the year ending 31st October 1820:

Lead	£22 to £21 fother
Ore	80s to 70s bing
Litharge	£23 ton
Fume	£15 ton

22nd February 1821 LLC 19

Sold 3223 oz 9 pw of North silver at 4/11½ an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£799 3s 2d).

22nd March 1821 LLC 19

Sold 2795 oz 6 pw of North silver at 4/11½ an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£693 0s 1d).

29th March 1821 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday last.

10th April 1821 LLC 19

Sold 2728 oz 12 pw of North silver at 4/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£670 15s 7d).

Sold Francis & White 40 casks of Litharge at £25 ton.

12th April 1821 LLC 19

The Court appointed Messrs. John Wilkinson & Co of Stockton receivers of the company's lead at that place.

20th April 1821 LLC 19

Sold Messrs Farnworth & Co 50 casks of litharge at £24 ton.

17th May 1821 LLC 19

Sold 1661 oz of North silver at 4/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£408 6s 7d).

31st May 1821 LLC 19

The Court took into consideration Mr Stagg's report and are of the opinion that the general state thereof is very satisfactory although the quantity of ore estimated to have raised does not appear to be so large as upon some former occasions.

14th June 1821 LLC 19

Sold John Locke & Co 5000 pieces of lead, two thirds refined at £22 fother, one third common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £21 fother and 100 casks of litharge at £23 ton.

21st June 1821 LLC 19

Sold 2784 oz 3 pw of North silver at 4/10 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£676 14s 5d).

Sold John Locke & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £22 fother, 2500 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £21 fother.

Sold Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £22 fother, one third common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £21 fother and 100 casks of litharge at £23 ton.

Sold Thompson Farnworth 100 casks of litharge at £23 ton.

18th July 1821 LLC 19

Sold 3169 oz 5 pw of North silver at 4/10½ an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£772 10s 1d).

27th September 1821 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending Michaelmas.

27th September 1821 LLC 19

Sold 5496 oz of North silver at 4/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£1351 2s 0d).

18th October 1821 LLC 19

Sold 2367 oz 8 pw of North silver at 4/10 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£582 2s 3d).

1st November 1821 LLC 19

The Court increased the Salary of Robert Stagg from £1,000 to £1,200 per annum to commence from the 30th September last.

8th November 1821 LLC 19

Sold Maltby & Co 10000 pieces of refined lead at £22 5s fother, 5000 pieces of common lead at £21 5s, and 1000 pieces of slag lead at £20 10s.

22nd November 1821 LLC 19

Sold 3081 oz 10 pw of North silver at 4/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£757 10s 7d).

6th December 1821 LLC 19

Sold W G Watson & Co 7 tons of Fume at £17 ton.

13th December 1821 LLC 19

The Committee of Mines and Workhouses. Report that on the 8th inst. a copy of one of the forms of draft leases from Greenwich Hospital to the Company was examined by the Committee and forwarded to Mr Stagg at Middleton with a letter upon the subject. Together with a copy of the general grant from Lord Darlington including the Flushamear lease. Also a copy of the original agreement with Sir Thomas Blackett for the Weardale mines.

20th December 1821 LLC 19

Sold 2419 oz 6 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£599 15s 10d).

28th December 1821 LLC 19

The Company seal was affixed to 26 leases and their counterparts of certain lead mines in the North belonging to Greenwich Hospital.

31st December 1821 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr James Palmer Governor

Mr Thomas How Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr John Hillersdon

Mr James Williams

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Charles Pearson junr

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr John Masterman

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Charles Mills junr

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr Octavius Wigram

24th January 1822 LLC 19

Sold 2811 oz 6 pw of North silver at 6/0 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£702 16s 4d).

7th February 1822 LLC 19

Valued the price of lead for year ending 31st October 1821:

Lead	£21 10s to £20 10s fother
Ore	£3 18s to £3 8s bing
Litharge	£22 ton
Fume	£15 ton

21st February 1822 LLC 19

Sold Thompson Farnworth 20000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £22 5s, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £21 5s.

28th February 1822 LLC 19

Sold 2856 oz 16 pw of North silver at 4/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£702 5s 10d).
Sold Thompson & Farnworth 1500 pieces of slag lead at £20 5s fother and 100 casks of litharge at £23 5s ton.

7th March 1822 LLC 19

Sold John Locke and Co 120 casks of litharge at £23 5s ton.
Ordered the following wine be forwarded to Middleton; 12 dozen Claret, 12 dozen Madeira and 12 dozen port.

21st March 1822 LLC 19

Sold 2875 oz 11 pw of North silver at 4/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£706 18s 4d).

28th March 1822 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday last.

18th April 1822 LLC 19

Sold 2563 oz 6 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£635 9s 8d).

16th May 1822 LLC 19

Sold Maltby & Co 10000 pieces of lead, two thirds refined at £22 5s, one third common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £21 5s fother, also 1000 pieces of slag lead at £20 10s fother.
Two copies of a request to the Earl of Thanet for a lease of his Lordships mineral ground within the several Manors of Dufton, Knock, and Milburn in the County of Westmorland having been received.

Ordered that one of the said copies be delivered to his Lordship by the secretary

23rd May 1822 LLC 19

Sold 2753 oz 16 pw of North silver at 4/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£676 19s 7d).

20th June 1822 LLC 19

The Company seal was affixed to the leases of Garrigill Burn, Old Groves and Carr's East of Nent.

27th June 1822 LLC 19

Sold 3052 oz 10 pw of North silver at 4/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£750 8s 2d).

The Company's seal was affixed to the counterpart of two leases from William Hutchinson Esq.

1st August 1822 LLC 19

Sold 2923 oz 13 pw of North silver at 4/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£718 14s 10d).

8th August 1822 LLC 19

Two leases executed by Mr Hutchinson of his mineral ground, Smelt mill and farm were received.

26th September 1822 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas.

3rd October 1822 LLC 19

Sold 4789 oz 14 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£1182 9s 2d).

Sold Maltby & Co 20000 pieces of lead, two thirds refined at £22 5s fother, one-third common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £21 5s fother. Also 2000 pieces of slag lead at £20 15s, and 200 casks of litharge at £23 5s ton.

Sold John Locke & Co 50 casks of litharge at £23 10s ton.

24th October 1822 LLC 19

Sold 2349 oz 2 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£579 18s 8d).

21st November 1822 LLC 19

Sold 3740 oz 13 pw of North silver at 4/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£919 11s 9d).

28th November 1822 LLC 19

Sold Thompson Farnworth 12000 pieces of refined lead at £22 5s fother, 6000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £21 5s fother, also 2000 pieces of slag lead at £20 15s fother.

12th December 1822 LLC 19

The Court took into consideration Mr Stagg's report of the mines and lists of Bargains, are of the opinion that the general result thereof is satisfactory, notwithstanding the failure of several trials.

19th December 1822 LLC 19

Sold 3316 oz 10 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£822 4s 4d).

30th December 1822 LLC 39

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr James Palmer Governor

Mr Thomas How Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr John Masterman

Mr John Hillersdon

Mr James Williams

Mr Robert Barclay
Mr Charles Mills junr
Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr James Horne
Mr Charles Pearson junr
Mr Octavius Wigram

2nd January 1823 LLC 19

Sold Thompson Farnworth 200 casks of litharge at £23 5s ton.

23rd January 1823 LLC 19

Sold 2800 oz of North silver at 4/11 1/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£691 7s 9d).

6th February 1823 LLC 19

The Court came to the Resolution of valuing the price of lead &c. ending the 31st October 1822 viz.

Lead	£21 10s and £20 10s per fother
Ore	78/- and 68/- per Bing
Litharge	£22 per Ton
Fume	£15 per Ton

20th February 1823 LLC 19

Sold Maltby & Co 100 casks of litharge at £23 5s ton.

6th March 1823 LLC 19

Sold 1823 oz 3 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£437 3s 4d).

20th March 1823 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday.

20th March 1823 LLC 19

Sold 2958 oz 10 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£450 2s 1d).

17th April 1823 LLC 19

Sold 1759 oz 7 pw of North silver at 4/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£727 6s 0d).

24th April 1823 LLC 19

Sold Walker & Maltby 8000 pieces of refined lead at £23 fother, 4000 pieces of common lead at £22 fother and 2000 pieces of slag lead at £21 10s fother.

1st May 1823 LLC 19

Having read the Ladyday report of mines and list of Bargains.

Resolved that the general prospects of the concern are highly satisfactory, notwithstanding the workings have experienced considerable check from the severity of the winter.

15th May 1823 LLC 19

Sold 3017 oz 10 pw of North silver at 4/10 3/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£738 13s 2d).

26th June 1823 LLC 19

Sold 3929 oz 1 pw of North silver at 4/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£965 18s 1d).

Ordered that a donation of £20 be made to Perks Painter in consequence of an accident he met with in the Company employ.

3rd July 1823 LLC 19

Received the Engrossment's of the counterparts of lease from the Earl of Thanet of the Dufton mines. The Company's seal was affixed to the above and exchanged for the original lease with his Lordships solicitor Mr Bateman.

24th July 1823 LLC 19

Sold 2436 oz 5 pw of North silver at 4/10 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£593 16s 9d).

7th August 1823 LLC 19

Sold Thompson Farnworth 20000 pieces of lead, one third refined at £23 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £22 fother.

21st August 1823 LLC 19

Sold 3291 oz 15 pw of North silver at 4/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£809 4s 5d).

9th October 1823 LLC 39
Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas last.

And they further recommend that a Bonus of £3 per share be made to the proprietors.

The Deputy Governor then informed the Court that the warrants for the same will be ready to be delivered Friday the 17th instant.

9th October 1823 LLC 19

Sold 3118 oz 4 pw of North silver at 4/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£766 11s 2d).

23rd October 1823 LLC 19

Sold 3066 oz 8 pw of North silver at 4/11 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£753 16s 6d).

20th November 1823 LLC 19

Sold 3038 oz 4 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£753 4s 5d).

18th December 1823 LLC 19

Sold 2821 oz 7 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£699 9s 5d).

21st December 1823 LLC 19

Sold John Locke & Co 10000 pieces of lead, two thirds refined at £23 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £22 fother.

29th December 1823 LLC 39
A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The Deputy Governor communicated to the Court that he had received the following letter from the Governor, which was read.

To The Court of Proprietors of the Lead Company

Gentlemen

The infirm state of my health preventing me from fulfilling in an adequate manner the duties of my situation as Governor of your honourable Court, a due regard to your interests compels me to retire this day from that important office.

The deep regret which I feel at the cessation of a connection which I have been always proud to acknowledge is greatly mitigated by the recollection of the confidence with which you have

been pleased to honour me during a long period of my life, and by the remembrance of the many testimonies of regard and friendship which I have received from those proprietors with whom I have acted as member of the Court of Assistants for so many years.

I have the honour to remain

Gentlemen

Your faithful & obligated servant

James Palmer

Christs Hospital

29th Dec 1823.

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Thomas How Masterman Governor

Mr John Hillersdon Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Charles Pearson junr

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr John Masterman

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Mills junr

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr Octavius Wigram

15th January 1824 LLC 19

Sold 3119 oz 11 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£773 8s 0d).

29th January 1824 LLC 19

The secretary wrote to Thomas Dodd.

5th February 1824 LLC 19

Valued the price of lead &c. for the year ending 31st October 1823:

Lead	£21 10s to £20 10s
Ore	78s to 68s bing
Litharge	£22 ton
Fume	£15 ton

19th February 1824 LLC 19

Sold 3084 oz 15 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£764 15s 6d).

26th February 1824 LLC 19

Mr. Ramsey attended the Court with the portrait of Mr. Robert Stagg ordered by the deputation last year, resolved that it be hung up in the Company's House in London.

11th March 1824 LLC 19

Sold 2743 oz 15 pw of North silver at 4/11 1/2 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£680 4s 8d).

18th March 1824 LLC 19

A Bill for repairing the roads from Burtryford in the County of Durham through Alston in the County of Cumberland, to Burnstones in the County of Northumberland and from Summerods Bar near Hexham to Alston aforesaid and several other roads in the said Counties and in the North Riding in the County of York and for erecting bridges over the River Tyne, being in progress through Parliament Mr. Robert Bainbridge solicitor thereto attend the Court to obtain

their consent to the above roads passing through part of their estate in Priorsdale. The Court having taken the same into consideration gave their consent to Mr. Bainbridge.

25th March 1824 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at the present Ladyday.

Resolved. That the unanimous thanks of this Court be conveyed to James Palmer Esq.

And that a piece of plate of the value one hundred guineas be presented to James Palmer Esq., as a testimony of the high sense this Court entertains of the zeal and ability with which he successfully discharged the important functions of Assistant, Deputy Governor, and Governor of this Corporation during a period in which the Company has attained an unprecedented state of prosperity, and that an inscription to the same effect be engraved on a piece of plate which Mr Palmer be requested to accept.

1st April 1824 LLC 19

Read a letter from Mr. Stagg on the subject of Mr. James conduct in mutilating certain register books belonging to the Company's school at Middleton and refusing to deliver up the register he had cut out from said books.

Resolved that Mr. Bainbridge be instructed to demand from Mr. James all and every document or papers of which he has retained possession belonging to the school at Middleton and that upon the same not being delivered up immediately he be empowered to take such measures as he may deem proper.

The Court agreed to purchase the mineral ground and mines including the fixtures at the sum of £2,500 from John Bland. (*On 29 April 1824 £3,000 was paid to Mr. John Bland*)

8th April 1824 LLC 19

Sold John Locke & Co 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £22 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £21 fother.

15th April 1824 LLC 19

Sold 3221 oz 17 pw of North silver at 4/11 3/4 an oz to Thomas How Masterman (£802 2s 5d).

13th May 1824 LLC 20

Sold John Locke & Co 10000 pieces of lead, two thirds refined at £22 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £21 fother.

The Deputy Governor informed the court of the death of Mr Masterman the late governor.

Resolved That in noticing the death of the late governor Mr Thomas How Masterman. This court records with feelings of great gratification its sense of the valuable services rendered by him as a member of this court during a period of 34 years and more, especially the great advantage derived from the zeal and attention shown by him to the company concerns in the north and the many judicious arrangements adopted there under his recommendation. A copy was sent to Mrs Masterman.

20th May 1824 LLC 20

It was recommended that Mr Stagg should mark 3500 pieces of refined lead as common in addition to the 1500 pieces ordered so done 6th May to complete the contracts of the 7th August and 24th December 1823.

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3087 oz 5 pw of fine silver at 5/4 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £829 13s 11d.

26th May 1824 LLC 39

A Court for electing a Governor of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal for the remainder of the present year in the room of Thomas How Masterman deceased.

Mr John Hillersdon was unanimously elected Governor for the remainder of the present year.

3rd June 1824 LLC 20

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £22 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £21 fother.

10th June 1824 LLC 39

A Court for electing a Deputy Governor of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal for the remainder of the present year in the room of Mr John Hillersdon elected Governor.

Mr John Masterman was unanimously elected Deputy Governor for the remainder of the present year.

10th June 1824 LLC 24

The probate of the will of Thomas How Masterman of Whitehart Court, Lombard Street, London, and late of Keston in the County of Kent, Esquire deceased under the seal of the prerogative court of Canterbury bearing date the 22nd May 1824 appointing William Masterman, John Henton Tritton and John Masterman executors was exhibited and allowed.

17th June 1824 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2820 oz 10 pw of fine silver at 5/4 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £758 0s 2d.

24th June 1824 LLC 39

A Court for electing an Assistant of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal for the remainder of the present year in the room of Mr John Masterman elected Deputy Governor.

Mr Simeon Warner was unanimously elected Assistant for the remainder of the present year.

8th July 1824 LLC 20

Sold Walker & Parker Co 10000 pieces of refined lead two thirds refined at £22 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £21 fother.

15th July 1824 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3012 oz of fine silver at 5/4 3/4 an oz, they paid the company £812 12s 3d.

12th August 1824 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1966 oz of fine silver at 5/5 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £542 13s 3d.

19th August 1824 LLC 20

Sold Walker & Parker 10000 pieces of lead, two thirds refined at £22 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £21.

16th September 1824 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2740 oz of fine silver at 5/5 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £744 18s 9d.

7th October 1824 LLC 39
Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas last.

7th October 1824 LLC 20

The secretary reported that he had been served with a notice by John Gregson not to enter or come upon grounds belonging to him situated at Swanhope and Ireshope or elsewhere in the Parish of Stanhope in the County of Durham. Which is ordered to be referred to Mr Robert Stagg.

14th October 1824 LLC 20

Sold Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of lead two third refined at £23 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £22 fother.

21st October 1824 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2955 oz 5 pw of fine silver at 5/5 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £803 9s 2d.

11th November 1824 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3209 oz of fine silver at 5/5 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £875 15s 9d.

Sold John Locke & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £23 fother, 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £22 fother.

A parcel is arrived from Mr Robert Bainbridge containing Deeds of Exchange between William Hutchinson Esq. and the Company of a small piece of land belonging to the Company and another small piece belonging to Mr Hutchinson. (Land at Egglestone)

Following the visit of the Court deputation to the North it was decided to award Robert Stagg as a token of their approbation, one thousand pounds.

18th November 1824 LLC 20

Letter from R Stagg to the Court.
Sirs.

I know not how to acknowledge in adequate terms the obligation conferred upon me by the resolution of the Court of the 11th Inst. conveyed to me in so flattering a manner, through the medium of the Governor.

The very great liberality of the Court excites my warmest feelings of gratitude, yet I am still more sensibly affected and gratified by the decided expression of their continued approbation, contained in that resolution.

Conscious of insufficiency of my utmost efforts to make a suitable return for these repeated instances of liberality and kindness I can only renew to the Court the assurance, that whatever degree of ability and health I may **possess**, shall continue to be faithfully and exclusively employed in endeavours to promote the prospect of the concern.

I am very respectfully
Gentlemen
your humble servant
Robert Stagg

16th December 1824 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4398 oz of fine silver at 5/5 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £1195 11s 1d.

Sold Walker & Parker 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £23 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £22 fother.

30th December 1824 LLC 20

Sold Walker & Parker 100 casks of litharge at £24 a ton.

3rd January 1825 LLC39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Hillersdon Governor

Mr John Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Mills junr

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr Octavius Wigram

Mr James Williams

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Charles Pearson junr

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Henry Tritton

13th January 1825 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3370 oz 15 pw of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £916 8s 6d.

20th January 1825 LLC 20

Sold Thompson Farnworth & Co 20000 pieces of lead, two thirds refined at £23 5s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £22 5s fother.

27th January 1825 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3216 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £877 14s 0d.

24th February 1825 LLC 25

Sold Walker & Parker 100 casks of litharge at £26 ton.

10th March 1825 LLC 20

Sold Maltby & Co 100 casks of litharge at £26 ton.

17th March 1825 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2957 oz 5 pw of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £809 12s 3d.

Sold Thompson & Farnworth & Co 5000 pieces of lead, two thirds refined at £25 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £24 10s fother.

Sold Walker & Parker 15000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £26 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £25 fother.

24th March 1825 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday.

14th April 1825 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3159 oz 10 pw of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £865 11s 4d.

22nd April 1825 LLC 20

Having read Robert Stagg's report resolved.

That the Court do record their satisfaction with the report and their cordial approbation of the great zeal and ability shown by the Superintendent in making the experiments for the trial of the lower sills underneath the Great Limestone in the Lodgesyke vein the result of which appears likely to realise the sanguine expectations of Mr. Stagg of finding valuable mines where hitherto it had only been suspected they might exist and thus opening new sources of great benefit to the Company.

12th May 1825 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2576 oz 5 pw of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £705 15s 8d.

16th June 1825 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4596 oz 15 pw of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £1249 14s 10d.

14th July 1825 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4175 oz 10 pw of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £1139 11s 3d.

11th August 1825 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1972 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £538 3s 10d.

18th August 1825 LLC 20

Messrs Bateman & Jones left with the Court the counterparts of two leases from the Earl of Thanet, Dufton Smelting mill, and a close of ground and of Dunfell Henrake and Low Overheath, lead mines which are ordered to be sent to Mr Bainbridge.

1st September 1825 LLC 20

The Company's seal was affixed to the counterpart of two leases left with the Court on the 18th August.

15th September 1825 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3697 oz 15 pw of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1012 17s 10d.

29th September 1825 LLC 20

Mr Tilson & Mr Bainbridge attended the Court with a case prepared by them relating to a claim preferred by the lessees of the Bishop of Durham to certain Copyholds in the Manor of Stanhope and the opinion of Mr Garrett (Counsel in the said case)

Resolved that Mr Tilson be instructed to write to Mr Rippon's solicitor acquainting him that this Court was unanimously of the opinion that it would not be advisable for the Company to continue working the mines of Stanhope Burn unless Mr Rippon consent to the Company retaining the duty ore until the question at issue may be decided, and also having a more full and distinct indemnity.

6th October 1825 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas last.

27th October 1825 LLC 20

Sold John Locke & Co 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £24 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £23 fother.

10th November 1825 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3130 oz 5 pw of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £860 16s 4d.

Sold Messrs W James & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £24 fother.

17th November 1825 LLC 20

Mr Tilson attended the Court with a copy of proposed agreement between Mr Rippon and the Company relating to the workings of Stanhope mine with alterations suggested by Mr Bainbridge and Mr Stagg, which their solicitor was directed to conform to.

24th November 1825 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 877 oz 15 pw of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £241 7s 7d.

1st December 1825 LLC 20

Sold John Locke & Co 50 casks of litharge at £25 ton.

22nd December 1825 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4412 oz 5 pw of fine silver at 5/5 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £1204 3s 6d.

3rd January 1826 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

Mr John Hillersdon Governor

Mr John Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr James Williams

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Pearson junr

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Henry Tritton

5th January 1826 LLC 20

Sold John Locke & Co 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £22 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £21 10s fother.

12th January 1826 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3598 oz 10 pw of fine silver at 5/5 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £978 6s 9d. Sold John Locke & Co 1000 pieces of slag lead at £21 fother.

16th February 1826 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3143 oz 10 pw of fine silver at 5/5 3/4 an oz, they paid the company £861 3s 9d.

16th March 1826 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3205 oz of fine silver at 5/5 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £874 13s 11d.

23rd March 1826 LLC 39
Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday.

30th March 1826 LLC 20

Sold Walker & Parker 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £21 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £20 fother.

6th April 1826 LLC 20

Sold Walker & Parker 100 casks of litharge at £22 ton, also 5000 pieces of lead two third refined at £22 fother and one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £21 fother; also 1000 pieces of slag lead at £20 10s fother.

13th April 1826 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2413 oz 15 pw of fine silver at 5/4 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £646 3s 7d.

11th May 1826 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2687 oz 10 pw of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £716 13s 4d.

15th June 1826 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3685 oz 10 pw of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £982 16s 0d.

6th July 1826 LLC 20

Sold Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £19 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 fother.

13th July 1826 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3333 oz 5 pw of fine silver at 5/3 3/4 an oz, they paid the company £885 7s 10d.

Sold Walker & Parker 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £19 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 fother.

20th July 1826 LLC 20

Sold Walker & Parker 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £19 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 fother. Also 1000 pieces of slag lead at £17 10s fother and 100 casks of litharge at £20 ton.

27th July 1826 LLC 20

Sold Walker & Parker 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £19 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 fother.

3rd August 1826 LLC 20

Sold Thompson & Farnworth 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £19 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 fother. Also 50 casks of litharge at £20 ton.

Sold Walker & Parker 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £19 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 fother.

17th August 1826 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2380 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £632 3s 9d.

24th August 1826 LLC 20

Sold Thompson & Farnworth 100 casks of litharge at £20 ton.

31st August 1826 LLC 20

Sold Walker & Parker 50 casks of litharge at £21 ton.

21st September 1826 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2694 oz 15 pw of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £715 15s 10d.

Sold Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £19 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 10s fother.

28th September 1826 LLC 20

Sold Maltby & Co 500 pieces of slag lead at £18 fother.

Sold Walker & Parker 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £19 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 10s fother. Also 100 casks of litharge at £20 10s ton.

5th October 1826 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas last.

12th October 1826 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2717 oz 10 pw of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £721 16s 8d.

19th October 1826 LLC 20

Sold Thompson & Farnworth 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £19 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 10s fother. Also 50 casks of litharge at £20 10s ton.

25th October 1826 LLC 20

Mr. Stagg had take up £28,000 for the annual pays in the North.

9th November 1826 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2929 oz 5 pw of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £778 1s 8d.

Sold Maltby & Co 500 pieces of slag lead at £18 fother.

30th November 1826 LLC 20

Sold Walker & Parker 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £20 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 fother. Also 100 casks of litharge at £21 ton.

7th December 1826 LLC 20

Sold Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £20 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 fother.

14th December 1826 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2912 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £779 11s 4d.

21st December 1826 LLC 20

Sold Walker & Parker 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £20 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 10s fother. Also 500 pieces of slag lead at £19 fother.

2nd January 1826 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Hillersdon Governor

Mr John Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr James Williams

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Mills junr

Mr Octavius Wigram

Mr Henry Tritton

18th January 1827 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3714 oz 15 pw of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £994 9s 4d.

15th February 1827 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3232 oz 5 pw of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £865 6s 0d.

15th March 1827 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3164 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £847 0s 7d.

22nd March 1827 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday.

12th April 1827 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2978 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £797 4s 8d.

17th May 1827 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4336 oz 15 pw of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £1160 19s 8d.

14th June 1827 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3164 oz 15 pw of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £850 10s 6d.

12th July 1827 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2872 oz 15 pw of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £772 1s 0d.

19th July 1827 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Thompson Emerson & Co 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £18 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 10s fother.
Also 50 casks of litharge at £19 10s ton.

16th August 1827 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3223 oz 15 pw of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £869 9s 4d.

26th July 1827 LLC 20

The Court having this day taken into consideration the Bargain lists, and reports from Mr Stagg, feel satisfied with the details recorded and approve the course adopted by the Superintendent for diminishing the expenditure of the mines.

13th September 1827 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3438 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £931 2s 6d.

20th September 1827 LLC 20

Sold Walker & Parker 50 casks of litharge at £20 ton.

4th October 1827 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas last.

11th October 1827 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2759 oz 5 pw of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £745 17s 2d.

25th October 1827 LLC 20

The Court deemed it proper on the present occasion to record their highest approval of the general conduct of their valuable Superintendent Mr Stagg in the general management and economy of the Company's concerns in the North and most particularly as regards the workings of Alston Moor which have been so pointedly brought to their notice by the reports of the Deputation whereby it is clearly shown that notwithstanding the very unfavourable circumstances under which Mr Stagg commenced the operation in that quarter the most beneficial results have accrued to the Company.

Resolved that a piece of plate of the value £150 with a suitable inscription be presented to Mr Stagg as a mark of approbation from this Court of the indefatigable, zeal and ability continued to be evinced by that gentleman in promoting the interests of the Lead Company.

The Court agreed with the recently returned deputation to the North that great advantage would arise to the concern at large if the Workmen's Fund be placed upon a proper foundation for the future provision not only of the men in the Company's employ who may be disabled from labour by sickness but also for the benefits of widows and children after their deceased.

Resolved that Mr. John Masterman Deputy Governor, Mr. Robert Barclay and Mr. Octavius Wigram be a committee for revising the regulations of the present fund.

1st November 1827 LLC 20

Resolved that the Superintendent be directed to transfer to the general accounts of mines whatever balance may remain against the workmen's fund on the 31st October and that any

arrangements which may be hereafter adopted upon that subject be made to take effect from this day.

15th November 1827 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4313 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £1168 2s 1d.

13th December 1827 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3150 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £853 2s 6d.

28th December 1827 LLC 39

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Hillersdon Governor

Mr John Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr James Williams

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Charles Pearson junr

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Charles Mills junr

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr Octavius Wigram

Mr Henry Tritton

3rd January 1828 LLC 20

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £18 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother.

10th January 1828 LLC 20

Sold Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £18 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother.

17th January 1828 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3605 oz 15 pw of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £976 11s 1d.

Sold Thompson Emerson & Co 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £18 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother. And 50 casks of litharge at £19 ton.

24th January 1828 LLC 20

Sold Thompson & Co 2000 pieces of slag lead at £16 fother.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £18 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother. And 100 casks of litharge at £19 ton.

Resolved that Mr Richard P Harris be requested to order 10 Tons of Spanish Lead ore to be forwarded to Mr Robert Richardson, Egglestone Smelt mill.

31st January 1828 LLC 20

Sold John Locke & Co 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £18 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother.

7th February 1828 LLC 20

Sold George Shepherd 2000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother.

14th February 1828 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2809 oz 5 pw of fine silver at 5/5 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £762 6s 0d.

28th February 1828 LLC 20

Sold Farnworth & Co 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £18 5s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 5s fother.

6th March 1828 LLC 20

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £18 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 10s fother.

13th March 1828 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2626 oz 5 pw of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £711 6s 10d.

20th March 1828 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday.

17th April 1828 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3064 oz 10 pw of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £826 15s 6d.

22nd May 1828 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2708 oz 5 pw of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £730 13s 2d.

12th June 1828 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2605 oz 10 pw of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £702 18s 10d.

157 baskets of Spanish ore had arrived and the same had been shipped to Stockton to be forwarded agreeably with instructions to be given by Mr. Stagg.

The secretary wrote a letter to Mr Simon Dodd.

26th June 1828 LLC 20

Sold Maltby & Co 50 casks of litharge at £19 10s ton.

17th July 1828 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4880 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £1316 11s 8d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 50 casks of litharge at £19 10s ton.

24th July 1828 LLC 20

Sold Walker Parker & Co 30 casks of litharge at £19 10s ton.

The consideration of the committee's report on the Workmen's Fund took place; thanks were given to Mr. John Finlaison Actuary to the National Debt Office for his help for which they gave him 100 guineas.

21st August 1828 LLC 20

Sold Richard Peckover Harris 1000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £17 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £16 10s fother.

Sold Maltby & Co 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £17 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £16 10s fother.

28th August 1828 LLC 20

Sold John Locke & Co 6000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £17 15s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £16 15s fother. (Revised to 5000 pieces 4th September)

11th September 1828 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3034 oz 10 pw of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £817 2s 0d.

18th September 1828 LLC 20

The Court received a plan of Ashgill Head Mineral Field and mine.

25th September 1828 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next.

16th October 1828 LLC 20

Sold Walker Parker & Co 15000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £17 15s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £16 15s fother. Also 3000 pieces of slag lead at £16 fother and 200 casks of litharge at £18 15s ton.

30th October 1828 LLC 20

Sold John Locke & Co 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £17 15s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £16 15s fother. Also 50 casks of litharge at £18 15s ton. Messrs. Ricknell and Smith sent a draft of lease of Tynebottom West of Tyne from Greenwich Hospital to the Company; it was sent to Robert Stagg for examination.

6th November 1828 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2141 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £576 10s 2d.

11th December 1828 LLC 20

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3740 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £1003 3s 6d.

29th December 1828 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Hillersdon Governor

Mr John Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr James Williams

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Pearson

Mr Octavius Wigram

Mr Henry Tritton

15th January 1829 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3320 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £893 19s 7d.

Sold Farnworth & Cattley 50 casks of litharge at £18 15s ton.

5th February 1829 LLC 21

Sold Thompson Emerson & Co 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £17 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £16 fother. Also 1000 pieces of slag lead at £15 fother and 50 casks of litharge at £18 ton.

The Solicitors to the Carlisle and Newcastle Railroad attended the Court; they were informed that the Court would not oppose their application to Parliament.

12th February 1829 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2866 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £777 14s 7d.

19th February 1829 LLC 21

Sold Walker & Parker 5000 pieces of refined lead at £17 fother.

12th March 1829 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4009 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £1075 6s 7d.

23rd March 1829 LLC 21

Mr Stagg attended the Court and presented a communication from Messrs Ridley & Co proposing that the head company should pay into their Bankers in London the amount of any Gold or Silver that might be required for the Company pays in the North after the 5th April **when** the period expires for issuing under £5. Also that such amounts as were furnished for the Company's tradesmen should be provided by Bills of 10 days instead of 20 days as heretofore.

The Company seal was affixed to the counterparts of the following leases.

Scrathead, Ashgillhead, Coldberry, Flushamie, Hudeshopehead and Lodgesyke.

26th March 1829 LLC 21

Robert Stagg attended the Court; he had shown the Court the Working Plans of the Mines. He was commended for his work and the economic running of the mines. The Court approved of his continuing the various trials but they did not want a great accumulation of stock ore and wished the raising of ore from such trials to be strictly regulated. They gave the following instructions to Robert Stagg.

To give a donation of Ten pounds to John Readshaw the Washing Overman at Nenthead for his exertions in the last year in establishing the washing place at Rampgill upon the new system.

To give a donation of Ten pounds to Jacob Readshaw for the like service at Manorgill.

To have the power to make any donations (not exceeding Twenty pounds) for the present and any subsequent year; to each of the Head washing Overmen.

To present Mr. Richardson of Egglestone mill with the sum of Twenty Five pounds for his exertions in bringing into practice the important improvements in the construction of the test bottoms and also the sum of Twenty Five pounds to re-emburse his expenses in acquiring the knowledge of assaying lead ores.

To build an Assay office and laboratory at Middleton for the general checks assaying of all the mills and Mr. Richardson to be the Assay Master.

To present Mr. Joseph Millican the Company surveyor with Twenty guineas as a mark of the Courts satisfaction of the abilities displayed in the maps sent to London.

To give Mark Armstrong Underground Agent in Teesdale a donation of Twenty guineas for his extra exertion in assisting the surveyor.

To give Mr. Dalton's head clerk at Middleton a present of Ten pounds for the past year for his extra trouble in consequence of the additions of Ashgillhead mine to this district and to

increase his salary to One hundred and ten pounds for the current year and One hundred and twenty pounds for subsequent years.

For appoint John Elliot junior (15 years of age) as additional clerk in the counting house at Middleton to meet the extra labour arising from the number of mines added to this district as above at a salary of Twenty five pounds for the first year.

To allow the two Agents to receive a present made to them by the Marquis of Cleveland for their trouble in examining his mines.

To limit the Monthly Advances on Pickings to the Value of the best estimated earnings during the continuance of the depressed state of the lead trade.

To give a donation of Ten pounds towards the establishment of Sunday Schools at Ashgillhead and the neighbourhood and to place the annual sum of Twenty pounds at the disposal of the Rev. George Carpenter towards the maintenance of the same and the encouragement of weekly schools upon the condition that the children of the men in the Company's employment in that part of the district shall be fully attended to.

To subscribe the sum of Five Hundred pounds towards completing the road from Yadmoss to Ashgillhead the said sums to be paid when the road is completed.

To allow Mr. Little out of his present years rent a donation not exceeding one moiety of the loss he sustained last year by having his hay carried away by a flood.

To give the usual donation of One Hundred pounds to the Marquis of Cleveland's agent upon completing the two leases of Old Manlebeck and Ashgillhead.

To allow Mrs. Brown eldest daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Dodd an annual sum not exceeding Ten pounds

To lay out the sum of Twenty guineas in adding books to the workmen's libraries.

2nd April 1829 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday.

16th April 1829 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3004 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £805 15s 2d.

14th May 1829 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2158 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £578 16s 9d.

The Company seal was affixed to the leases, and their counterparts of Tynebottom West of Tyne Vein, General Grant No's 1 & 2, from Greenwich Hospital.

11th June 1829 LLC 21

Sold Farnworth & Cattley 2000 pieces of lead at £16 10s fother.

18th June 1829 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1901 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £509 18s 0d.

2nd July 1829 LLC 21

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £16 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £15 fother.

Sold Thompson Emerson & Co 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £16 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £15 fother.

16th July 1829 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2982 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £795 4s 0d.

20th August 1829 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3031 oz of fine silver at 5/4 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £811 8s 5d.

17th September 1829 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3860 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £1029 6s 8d.

24th September 1829 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next.

15th October 1829 LLC 21

Sold Farnworth & Cattley 5000 pieces of refined lead at £15 fother.

5th November 1829 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2778 oz of fine silver at 5/4 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £742 4s 11d.

Sold Maltby & Co & Co 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £15 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £14 fother.

12th November 1829 LLC 21

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £15 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £14 fother.

10th December 1829 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3322 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £882 1s 0d.

24th December 1829 LLC 21

The lease of Old Marlebeck mine in Teesdale was received from the Marquis of Cleveland.

4th January 1830 LLC 39

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Hillersdon Governor

Mr John Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Mills junr

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr Octavius Wigram

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Charles Pearson junr

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Simeon Warner

4th February 1830 LLC 21

The Court took into consideration the value of their stock ore and lead on the 31st October last and agreed as follows.

Ore 50/- to 60/- per Bing

Lead £13 to £14 per Fother

18th February 1830 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2362 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £629 17s 4d.

18th March 1830 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2682 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £712 8s 1d.

The secretary wrote a letter to Thomas Dodd.

1st April 1830 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday last.

1st April 1830 LLC 21

The Court having received from Mr Stagg a copy of the statement he had exhibited to the Receiver of Greenwich Hospital respecting the Company's claim for a diminution of duty ore in the Alston District, according to his letter of 23rd March.

Resolved the Governor & Deputy Governor, Mr Mills and Mr Poynder, be requested to take an opportunity to obtain an interview with the Commissioners in London on the subject.

15th April 1830 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3483 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £925 3s 5d.

29th April 1830 LLC 21

The representatives of the Court had requested a reduction in the duty ore payable to the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital due to the depressed state of the lead trade. The proposed reduction by the Commissioners would have brought little relief so the Court wrote a letter requesting an interview with the Commissioners.

Mr Stagg's Bargain list and reports were read, these were found to be satisfactory especially the progress of Skeers level.

13th May 1830 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2646 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £702 16s 10d.

The committee appointed by the Court to confer with the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital relating to the terms on which the mines on Alston Moor were held by the Company under leases from the hospital reported to the Court. That they waited upon the Commissioners according to their appointment on Saturday last in Somerset Place, and had a satisfactory interview with them so far as to find the Commissioners impressed with every desire to relieve the Company in the present distressed state of the lead trade if any reasonable proposition, could be made to them to accomplish the object, and your Committee were gratified by the Commissioners acknowledging their sense of the meritorious manner in which their estates were managed by the Company.

Your committee endeavoured to urge upon the Commissioners the advantages which in their opinion would result from an increased duty being laid upon the importation of foreign lead,

and that it would operate as much to the interest of the Hospital as owners of the mines as to the Company, but on this point the Commissioners distinctly stated they could not encourage an expectation that His Majesties present Government would be disposed to accede to any increased duty.

Your committee have further to report that having stated the great inconvenience and mischief they apprehend would result from discharging a number of men now in the employ of the Company and the impossibility of the Company continuing to work the mines in Alston moor on the present system at the existing price and having further argued the difficulties that operated against them they were required by the Commissioners to transmit to them in writing such propositions as the Company deemed necessary to which their serious attentions should be immediately directed and an answer transmitted to the Company.

The Committee were asked to write to the Commissioners and also to meet with Mr. Tilson their solicitor to draw up a petition to Parliament asking for protection against foreign lead.

20th May 1830 LLC 21

Sold Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £13 10s fother, one third slag at £12 fother.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £13 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £12 10s fother.

3rd June 1830 LLC 21

Sold Thompson Emerson & Co 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £13 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £12 10s fother. Also 50 casks of litharge at £14 10s ton.

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £13 10s fother.

17th June 1830 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3703 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £987 9s 4d.

Sold Farnworth & Cattley 3000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £14 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £13 fother.

15th July 1830 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2988 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £796 16s 0d.

12th August 1830 LLC 21

The Court took into account Mr. Stagg's Bargains list and report; it was considered very satisfactory particularly as regards the mode by which the reduction of men is gradually carrying into effect.

19th August 1830 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2551 oz of fine silver at 5/4 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £682 18s 6d.

26th August 1830 LLC 21

Mr Wigram handed to the court extracts from two letters he had received from Mr Stagg relative to the disposal of the Merton Estate.

9th September 1830 LLC 21

The Court taking into consideration the necessity of making every practical reduction in the expenses of the concern.

Resolved that the refreshments prepared for the Court be discontinued from the 29th of the present month. That the newspapers and all periodical works be discontinued and that no book or any article whatsoever be ordered without the sanction in writing of the Governor. The Company having taken into their consideration the expenses of Stella wharf. Resolved that a letter be written to Mr. Hewitson limiting his commission to the lead delivered from that wharf.

16th September 1830 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3191 oz of fine silver at 5/4 $\frac{1}{4}$ an oz, they paid the company £854 5s 2d.

Sold Walker Parker 8000 pieces of lead 7000 refined at £13 10s fother, 1000 slag at £12 fother. And 100 casks of litharge at £14 10s ton.

23rd September 1830 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next.

30th September 1830 LLC 21

Sold John Locke & Co 2500 pieces of lead, 2000 refined at £13 10s fother and 500 slag at £12 fother.

14th October 1830 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2838 oz of fine silver at 5/4 $\frac{1}{4}$ an oz, they paid the company £757 17s 7d.

4th November 1830 LLC 21

Sold Farnworth & Cattley 3000 pieces of lead, 2000 refined at £13 10s fother, 700 common at £12 10s fother and 300 slag at £12 fother.

11th November 1830 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3323 oz of fine silver at 5/4 $\frac{1}{4}$ an oz, they paid the company £889 11s 11d.

25th November 1830 LLC 21

The Court received a letter from Robert Stagg stating the distressed state that prevailed in the North. The Court resolved to write to the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital and the Marquis of Cleveland requesting an interview. A committee being appointed for that purpose.

2nd December 1830 LLC 21

The list of Bargains having been taken into consideration by which it appears upon the Single Pair System there has been a reduction of 190 men.

16th December 1830 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3570 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £952 0s 0d.

Sold Walker & Parker 1000 pieces of slag lead at £12 fother.

The Company seal was affixed to the leases of Hundy Bridge Syke Vein and Coopers Dyke Head Vein.

30th December 1830 LLC 21

Report of the committee appointed on the 25th November 1830.

In conformity with the instructions of the Court we obtained an interview with the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital on Saturday the 15th inst. for the purpose of communicating with them upon the terms under which various leases are held under them by the Company in Alston Moor in consequence of the depressed state of the lead trade. And after much conversation with them upon the subject in which an alteration in the rate of duty ore was suggested in the shape of a graduated scale according to the price of lead in order to enable the Company to employ as many labourers as possible in the present distressed state of the mining population with the least injury to the Company with this view it was strongly impressed upon the Commissioners that the Court were willing to need the comforts of the men by any moderate sacrifice if a correspondent disposition was shown by the Commissioners in a reduction of the present rate of duty ore.

We obtained no decisive answer but were informed the subject should have their best attention.

It may however be proper to acquaint the Court that the sentiments expressed by the Commissioners did not seem favourable to any alteration that might tend to increase the raising of ore considering it a better alternative that the men now employed in mining should be reduced and obliged to find other employment which they thought would be practicable in making roads and other public works.

An increased duty upon foreign lead was suggested as one desirable made of assisting the present low price of lead to which the vice president of the Board of Trade who was present as chairman of the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital stated unequivocally that Government had no such intention.

In conclusion we deem it proper to remark that from the tone of the conversation that passed we are opinion that the Company would be completely exonerated from any blame by taking such measures in the future workings of the mines in Alston Moor as may appear most beneficial to their interest in accordance with the general terms of their present leases.

3rd January 1831 LLC 39

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Hillersdon Governor

Mr John Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr Octavius Wigram

Mr James Williams

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Charles Pearson junr

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Henry Tritton

13th January 1831 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2834 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £755 14s 8d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 15000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £13 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £12 10s fother.

20th January 1831 LLC 21

Sold Maltby & Co 6000 pieces of lead, 5000 pieces refined at £13 10s fother and 1000 slag at £12 fother.

10th February 1831 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2845 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £763 2s 2d.

24th February 1831 LLC 21

The Court took into consideration the value of their stocks of ore and lead on the 31st October last and agreed the value should be as follows.

Ore at 50/- to 60/- per Bing Lead at £12 to £13 per Fother

10th March 1831 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2558 oz 5 pw of fine silver at 5/4 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £687 10s 7d.

Sold John Locke & Co 6000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £14 fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £13 fother.

Sold Maltby & Co 1000 pieces of common lead.

17th March 1831 LLC 21

Sold Thompson & Emerson 2000 pieces of refined lead at £14 fother, 2000 pieces of common at £13 fother, and 2000 pieces of slag lead at £12 fother

The Court feel it due to Mr. Stagg to record their unqualified approbation of his great attention to the Company's interest and to express their hope that under the various explanations received from Mr. Stagg as to his intended mode of working their mines. The Company will shortly be able to meet the present low prices of lead.

The following instructions were given to Mr. Stagg.

The monthly advances to Pickmen in regular divisions and places be continued at the rate of ten shillings per week so long as they use due diligence and conduct themselves satisfactorily.

The advances for old pickings to be confined to the actual earnings as near as the same can be ascertained as heretofore.

To complete the purchase of the residue of the leases of Langdon mine with the materials for any sum not exceeding the sum of one thousand pounds.

To inform Mr. Crawford agent to Mr. Beaumont that the Court will agree to pay half composition money in lieu of the ore for the Weardale district in proportion to the contract entered into by Mr. Beaumont with the Rector of Stanhope.

Not to enter into any agreement with the Managers of the Darlington Railway for the conveyance of the Company lead unless they will pledge themselves not to raise the present rates to the Company for seven years.

To advance the salary of George Brown the under agent to £150 a year upon his being removed to the Teesdale district, and the salary of Mark Armstrong from £120 to £130 a year upon taking the place of George Brown in Westmorland.

To advance the salaries of John Bell and Joshua Stagg ten pounds each for the past year with an additional increase of ten pounds per annum till the same amounts to £100 a year.

To advance the salary of John Elliot junior ten pounds for the past year with an additional increase of ten pounds per annum till the same amounts to £70 a year.

24th March 1831 LLC 21

Sold Walker Parker & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £14 fother and 3000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £13 fother.

31st March 1831 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday last.

31st March 1831 LLC 21

Sold Maltby & Co 2000 pieces of common lead at £13 10s fother.

5th May 1831 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2145 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £575 7s 0d.

2nd June 1831 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2671 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £715 1s 0d.

30th June 1831 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2210 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £592 15s 9d.

4th August 1831 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3153 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £847 7s 4d.

25th August 1831 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2935 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £788 15s 0d.

22nd September 1831 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next.

22nd September 1831 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2343 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £629 13s 8d.

13th October 1831 LLC 21

The trustees of Robert Stagg reported that following the last payment to be paid into the trust fund (on 29th Sept. 1831) it now stood at £6702 10s 3d.

17th November 1831 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3410 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £916 8s 9d.

8th December 1831 LLC 21

Two cases arrived at the Court containing the General maps of the Company's mineral districts and the Company's estate plans.

15th December 1831 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2426 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £649 9s 2d.

3rd January 1832 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Hillersdon Governor

Mr John Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr James Williams

Mr James Horne

Mr Jacob Hagen
Mr Thomas Poynder junr
Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Charles Pearson
Mr Richard Peckover Harris
Mr Henry Tritton

12th January 1832 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2975 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £793 6 8d.

Sold Thomas Cattley 1000 pieces of refined lead at £13 10s fother.

16th February 1832 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2413 oz of fine silver at 5/4 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £645 19s 7d.

8th March 1832 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3148 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £836 3s 9d.

The Court took into consideration the value of their stock ore and lead on the 31 October last and agreed the valuation be as follows.

Bouse ore 56/- per Bing
Cutting ore 46/- per Bing
Refined lead £11 per Fother
Common lead £10 per Fother.

22nd March 1832 LLC 21

£25 was given towards a fund in the Parish of Alston to assist such poor persons who wish to emigrate to Canada.

29th March 1832 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

On the present occasion the Governor, Deputy Governor and Court of Assistants deem it incumbent on them to state to the General Court of the Proprietors that during the last year they have had to contend not only with extremely depressed markets but an unusually small demand for lead.

It has been their earnest endeavour as far as possible to meet the depression by every prudent degrees of retrenchment and a very considerable reduction has been affected in the annual expenditure.

The Court of proprietors must be aware from the nature of mining pursuits that it is essentially necessary for the purpose of giving perseverance to their objectives as a Company to be opening new ground and making trials for new veins and these trials always occasion a heavy expenditure, before their objectives can be obtained.

The Court have not hitherto deemed it advisable to stop the progress of these trials which were commenced at a time that justified very different prospects but have availed themselves of the present low rate of labour to push them to their termination.

Every practicable reduction has been made in the rates of wages but the Court cannot feel it sensible to the increased and severe distress that would arise from the sudden dismissal of a large number of their workmen who have served the Company satisfactorily in more prosperous times and who it is but fair to state have submitted to the necessary privations with a meritorious degree of patience and contentment that entitles them to the most favourable consideration.

The Court of Assistants trust that the foregoing remarks will not convey to the Court of Proprietors any discouragement as to the stability of the Company as they can with confidence state that the general conditions of the concern is very satisfactory both as regards the condition of the works, and the power of raising lead, but they think it improper to conceal from the proprietors that the large supplies of lead furnished by the Spanish and other Foreign

mines have so interfered with the British Export Trade that it is to be apprehended much increase in the price of lead cannot be expected while these supplies continue. The Proprietors may rest assured that the Court of Assistants influenced by these considerations will continue their exertions to curtail every unnecessary expense to meet the present exigencies and they are rather encouraged to entertain a favourable expectation for an increased demand of the Company's lead from the circumstance of several mining establishments in the country having entirely ceased their workings. The Court of Assistants having taken into consideration the whole state of the Company's affairs and devoted their best attention to the subject now recommend that a dividend of ten shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year.

5th April 1832 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2334 oz of fine silver at 5/31/2 an oz, they paid the company £617 10s 9d.

A letter from Robert Stagg to the Court.

I have been duly favoured with your letter of the 29th March **and** whilst I am sincerely glad at the announced reduction of dividend (the dividend had been reduced from 15/- paid the last half year to 10/- for this half year) as a measure of prudent policy under the continued depression in the value of lead. I cannot avoid feeling deep anxiety on Account of the intention conveyed to me of any doubt being entertained by the Company's Court as to the propriety of continuing any or all the trials to their final objects, for I am not I believe more certain of my own existence than I am of the expediency of checking these trials and especially at this juncture, when they can be prosecuted and are being prosecuted at little more than half the cash which this would in more prosperous times.

It is very desirable whilst lead is of so little value to check the immediate Raising of Ore because; besides saving a great passing outlay such check of supply affords the last chance of hastening a return of better prices by bringing down the supply of demand.

But I do and must ever hold it to be most impolite to check trials when they can be most cheaply pursued, as it is solely by their completion against better times, that any mining concern can have the chance of benefiting extensively when better times do return.

Nothing therefore but a absolute want of capital or a presettled and fixed determination to wind up a mining concern ought. I am convinced even to cause this plan to be adopted and in the Company's case had they ever decided to cease to be miners so soon as they could most beneficially bring their affairs to a close.

I should say, considering the great proportion of the expense already incurred and the nearness of our approach to the issue of nearly all the trials in hand that it would be most impolite and injurious to their interest to check one of such trials in their present stage.

It is my greater consolation under present circumstances, to know that nearly all of our chief trials that could be suspended without the forfeiture of leases, have been already pushed as near their objects that another year of perseverance will probably, nay almost certainly bring them to a termination when so much of dead weight will cease at any rate and when also I greatly hope, we may **be** placed in a position to either avail ourselves extensively of whatever favourable change may **arise**, or to wait the issue without much, if any further sacrifice. I would therefore beg of the Court as a personal favour, not to think of checking these trials in the interim.

I have said nothing about the desirableness of having it placed within the Company's power to reap the fruits of such trials without the terms of their existing leases although this is a proper and very important consideration seeing that they have no security for the renewal of one of them, and it would be no light temptation to Lord's of Manors to take so easy a completion of valuable and extensive trials into their own hands, should the Company by their suspension of them, afford them so fair and plausible a pretence for so doing.

On every account therefore I do trust the Court will abandon the idea for the present.

I have lately been so tormented with a pain in my back that I am wholly unable, at present to undertake a journey to town although otherwise my health is fully good as usual. The pain I

suffered in travelling from Hilton to this place last week demanded all the enduring fortitude I could command although in a chaise and the distance only 25 miles. But as the next bargains will not be let until the month of June, I hope the setting in of warmer weather May sufficiently relieve the rheumatic affliction, to enable me to meet the Court in the interim should they still desire it.

Begging you to accept my grateful thanks for the obliging manner in which you conveyed to me the Courts views, and also your excuse for the freedom with which I May have expressed myself for on such a subject feeling so strongly as I do, I am apt to speak and write with probably to little caution or reserve.

19th April 1832 LLC 21

Sold Walker Parker & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £12 5s fother, and 8000 common at £11 15s fother, and 2000 pieces of slag lead at £11 5s fother.

Sold Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of lead one thirds refined at £12 5s fother, two third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £11 15s fother. And also 1000 pieces of slag lead at £11 5s fother.

Sold to James Horne 100 casks of litharge at £12 15s ton.

3rd May 1832 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2478 oz of fine silver at 5/33/8 an oz, they paid the company £654 6s 11d.

10th May 1832 LLC 21

Sold Walker Parker & Co 3000 pieces of lead one thirds refined at £12 15s fother, two third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £12 5s fother. Also 50 casks of litharge at £13 5s ton. And 5000 pieces of lead one thirds refined at £13 fother, two third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £12 10s fother.

17th May 1832 LLC 21

Sold Walker Parker & Co 3000 pieces of lead one thirds refined at £13 10s fother, two third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £13 fother.

And 3000 pieces of lead one thirds refined at £14 fother, two third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £13 10s fother.

24th May 1832 LLC 21

Sold Walker Parker & Co 50 casks of litharge at £15 5s ton.

31st May 1832 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1978 oz of fine silver at 5/31/4 an oz, they paid the company £521 5s 8d.

21st June 1832 LLC 21

A member of the Court having called the attention of the Court to the new scale of Duties now before the House of Commons and laid the same on the table.

Resolved that the secretary do obtain the price of Spelter for the last three years and the quantities imported and exported for the same period.

28th June 1832 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2450 oz of fine silver at 5/31/4 an oz, they paid the company £645 13s 6d.

5th July 1832 LLC 21

Robert Stagg was given permission to give ten pounds to Mrs. Simon Dodd and her family, in such a way as he thinks fit.

26th July 1832 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2085 oz of fine silver at 5/31/4 an oz, they paid the company £549 9s 8d.

23rd August 1832 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1896 oz of fine silver at 5/31/4 an oz, they paid the company £499 13s 6d.

6th September 1832 LLC 21

James Horne brought £134 16s 6d to the court payment for 42 casks of litharge sold to him.

20th September 1832 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3412 oz of fine silver at 5/31/4 an oz, they paid the company £635 13s 3d.

27th September 1832 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next.

18th October 1832 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2339 oz of fine silver at 5/31/4 an oz, they paid the company £616 8s 6d.

1st November 1832 LLC 21

Sold Maltby & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead £12 10s fother.

22nd November 1832 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2020 oz of fine silver at 5/33/8 an oz, they paid the company £533 8s 2d.

29th November 1832 LLC 21

Sold John Locke & Co 2500 pieces of refined lead at £12 10s fother.

Sold Maltby & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £12 10s fother, and 1500 pieces of slag lead at £11 fother.

13th December 1832 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2251 oz of fine silver at 5/33/8 an oz, they paid the company £594 8s 0d.

The Michaelmas Bargains lists and report of the state of the mines having being read the Court are of opinion that it is highly satisfactory and are much gratified at the good conduct of the men, under the continued depression of the lead trade.

20th December 1832 LLC 21

Sold Thompson & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £12 10s fother, and 3000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £12 fother.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 6000 pieces of refined lead at £12 10s fother, and 6000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £12 fother.

Sold John Locke & Co 1500 pieces of refined lead at £12 10s fother, and 1500 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £12 fother.

27th December 1832 LLC 21

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £12 10s fother, and 5000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £12 fother.

31st December 1832 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Hillersdon Governor

Mr John Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr James Williams

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Octavius Wigram

Mr Henry Tritton

10th January 1833 LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2407 oz of fine silver at 5/31/4 an oz, they paid the company £634 6s 10d.

31st January 1833 LLC 21

Affixed the Company's seal to the two general grants of leases from the Marquis of Cleveland to the Company.

14th February LLC 21

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1633 oz of fine silver at 5/31/8 an oz, they paid the company £431 4s 3d.

21st February 1833 LLC 21

Sold Thompson & Co 1500 pieces of refined lead at £13 fother, and 3500 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £12 10s fother.

Sold Maltby & Co 2500 pieces of refined lead at £13 fother, and 2500 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £12 10s fother.

28th February 1833 LLC 21

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £13 fother, and one third common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £12 10s fother.

7th March 1833 LLC 21

Sold William Parker 100 casks of litharge at £13 10s ton.

28th March 1833 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday last.

11th April 1833 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2436 oz of fine silver at 5/33/8 an oz, they paid the company £643 5s 1d.

2nd May 1833 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2954 oz of fine silver at 5/33/8 an oz, they paid the company £780 0s 9d.

30th May 1833 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2883 oz of fine silver at 5/33/8 an oz, they paid the company £761 5s 11d.

27th June 1833 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2298 oz of fine silver at 5/33/8 an oz, they paid the company £606 16s 3d.

23rd July 1833 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2816 oz of fine silver at 5/35/8 an oz, they paid the company £746 10s 8d.

1st August 1833 LLC 22

The Court received a report from Mr. Finlaison upon the Workmen's Fund.

15th August 1833 LLC 22

Sold Maltby & Co 2500 pieces of refined lead at £14 fother, and 2500 pieces of common lead at £13 10s fother.

22nd August 1833 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1829 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £486 15s 7d.

5th September 1833 LLC 22

Sold Thompson & Co 2500 pieces of refined lead at £14 fother, and 2500 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £13 10s fother.

The Court authorised the payment of £200 per annum to the Workmen's Fund.

12th September 1833 LLC 22

The Deputy Governor reported that he had made arrangements with Messrs Thompson Brown & Co for the shipment of 300 tons of refined lead for St Petersburg on the Company's account.

19th September 1833 LLC 22

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £14 10s fother, and 5000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £14 fother.

26th September 1833 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next.

26th September 1833 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2705 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £721 6s 8d.

Sold John Locke & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £14 5s fother, and 50 casks of litharge at £14 10s ton.

Sold John Stagg of Stockton 1000 pieces of refined lead at £14 10s fother.

17th October 1833 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2754 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £734 8s 0d.

7th November 1833 LLC 22

Sold Augustus Graham 3000 pieces of refined lead at £15 fother.

21st November 1833

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2612 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £699 5s 1d.

28th November 1833 LLC 22

Sold Maltby & Co 2500 pieces of refined lead at £15 fother and 2500 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £14 10s.

Sold Charles Pearson 20 casks of litharge at £15 10s ton.

5th December 1833 LLC 22

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £15 fother, and 5000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £14 10s fother.

Sold Charles Pearson 20 casks of litharge at £15 10s ton.

The Court were pleased to learn of the successful termination of so many and arduous trials which have been so long under prosecution.

12th December 1833 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3010 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £807 7s 5d.

19th December 1833 LLC 22

Sold Charles Pearson 50 casks of litharge at £16 10s ton.

30th December 1833 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Hillersdon Governor

Mr John Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Charles Pearson

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr James Williams

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr Octavius Wigram

Mr Henry Tritton

23rd January 1834 LLC 22

Sold Thompson & Co 2500 pieces of refined lead at £16 fother, and 2500 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £15 10s fother.

30th January 1834 LLC 22

Sold Maltby & Co 400 pieces of slag lead at £15 fother.

6th February 1834 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4863 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £1304 8s 0d.

Sold Maltby & Co 1250 pieces of refined lead at £16 fother, and 1250 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £15 10s fother.

20th February 1834 LLC 22

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £16 10s fother, and 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £16 fother.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2500 pieces of refined lead at £16 10s fother, and 2500 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £16 fother.
Sold Maltby & Co 1000 pieces of refined lead at £16 10s fother, and 1000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £16 fother.
Sold Charles Pearson 100 casks of litharge at £17 ton.

6th March 1834 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4949 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £1327 9s 4d.

Donated £10 to the Association for the prosecution of Felons at Stockton.

13th March 1834 LLC 22

Sold Walker & Parker & Co 5000 pieces refined lead at £17 5s.

20th March 1834 LLC 22

The Court heard from Robert Stagg of Enclosing of Middleton Common the secretary was ordered to contact the Duke of Cumberland's agent.

27th March 1834 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday last.

3rd April 1834 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4926 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £1323 17s 3d.

1st May 1834 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4942 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £1323 0s 3d.

29th May 1834 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4587 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £1227 19s 6d.

26th June 1834 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 5114 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £1369 1s 2d.

24th July 1834 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4467 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £1202 16s 7d.

21st August 1834 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3085 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £832 6s 3d.

18th September 1834 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3468 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £837 8s 10d.

25th September 1834 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next.

2nd October 1834 LLC 22

Sold John Stagg of Stockton 1000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother, and 1000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 10s fother.

9th October 1834 LLC 22

Sold Mr Apsley Pellatte 10tons of litharge at £18 10s ton.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother, and 3000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 10s fother.

Sold Maltby & Co 1500 pieces of slag lead at £17 ton.

16th October 1834 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3581 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £967 19s 9d.

Sold Maltby & Co 1500 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother, and 1500 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 10s fother.

30th October 1834 LLC 22

Sold Maltby & Co & Co 1000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother, and 1000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 10s fother.

13th November 1834 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3448 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £915 17s 6d.

14th December 1834 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3196 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £855 11s 11d.

18th December 1834 LLC 22

Sold Walker Parker & Co	6000	pieces refined	at £18	fother
	12000	pieces refined	at £17 10s	fother
	10000	pieces common	at £17	fother
	2000	pieces slag	at £16 15s	fother

Sold Maltby & Co 2500 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother.

24th December 1834 LLC 22

Sold John Locke & Co & Co 1500 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother, and 1000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 10s fother.

29th December 1834 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Hillersdon Governor

Mr John Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Charles Mills

Mr James Williams

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Pearson

Mr Richard Peckover Harris
Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Octavius Wigram
Mr Henry Tritton

1st January 1835 LLC 22

Sold Thompson & Co & Co 2500 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother, and 2500 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 10s fother.

8th January 1835 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3417 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £916 10s 9d.

5th February 1835 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2836 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £760 14s 0d.

5th March 1835 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3450 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £927 3s 9d.

19th March 1835 LLC 22

The half yearly dividend was raised back up to 15/- per share.

26th March 1835 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday last.

2nd April 1835 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3193 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £854 15s 10d.

30th April 1835 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2623 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £702 4s 0d.

28th May 1835 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3189 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £855 7s 7d.

18th June 1835 LLC 22

Sold Francis & White 10 tons of litharge £19 10s fother.

25th June 1835 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2985 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £799 2s 2d.

23rd July 1835 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collman Lambert & Co 8000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £18 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 fother. Refined delivered at Stockton, common and slag at Stella.

30th July 1835 LLC 22

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £18 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 fother.

Sold Maltby & Co 15000 pieces of lead two thirds refined at £18 10s fother, one third common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 fother.

20th August 1835 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3158 oz of fine silver at 5/4 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £845 8s 5d.

3rd September 1835 LLC 22

The secretary reported that he had on the 29th Ult. received from the secretary of Greenwich Hospital a lease and counterparts of mines at Crookburn Head from the Duke of Cleveland, the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, James Buronett Esq. To which the Company's seal was affixed.

17th September 1835 LLC 22

The Company seal was affixed to the Ashgill lease.

24th September 1835 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next.

24th September 1835 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2453 oz of fine silver at 5/4 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £655 8s 2d.

1st October 1835 LLC 22

Sold Maltby & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £19 fother, and 1000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 10s fother.

Sold John Stagg 1000 pieces of refined lead at £19 fother, and 1000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 10s fother.

22nd October 1835 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3397 oz of fine silver at 5/4 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £907 12s 8d.

5th November 1835 LLC 22

Sold Maltby & Co 2500 pieces of lead one half refined at £19 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 10s fother.

19th November 1835 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2962 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £789 17s 4d.

Sold Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of lead one half refined at £19 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 10s fother.

26th November 1835 LLC 22

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of lead one half refined at £19 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 10s fother. Also 1000 pieces of slag lead at £18 fother.

Sold Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of lead one half refined at £19 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 10s fother.

10th December 1835 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3921 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £1045 12s 0d.

Sold Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of lead one half refined at £19 5s fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 15s fother.

17th December 1835 LLC 22

Sold Locke & Co 2000 pieces of lead one half refined at £19 5s fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 15s fother.

24th December 1835 LLC 22

Sold Walker & Parker 1000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother and 1000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 10s fother.

31st December 1835 LLC 22

The Court took into consideration Mr. Tilson's application on the 24th inst. to have his son Mr. Thomas Tilson junior appointed their solicitor jointly with his father. The Court agreed.

4th January 1836 LLC 39

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Hillersdon Governor
Mr John Masterman Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner	Mr Robert Barclay
Mr James Horne	Mr Jacob Hagen
Mr Charles Mills	Mr Thomas Poynder junr
Mr Richard Peckover Harris	Mr Octavius Wigram
Mr Simeon Warner	Mr Richard Sanderson

14th January 1836 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2670 oz of fine silver at 5/4 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £713 7s 9d.

21st January 1836 LLC 22

Sold Francis & White 10 tons of litharge at £20 ton.

4th February 1836 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Laveissone 3000 pieces of lead one half refined at £20 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 10s fother.

Sold Maltby & Co 7500 pieces of lead one half refined at £20 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 10s fother.

11th February 1836 LLC 22

Sold Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of lead one half refined at £20 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 10s fother.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 8000 pieces of lead one half refined at £20 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 10s fother.

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of lead one half refined at £20 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 10s fother.

18th February 1836 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4858 oz of fine silver at 5/4 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £1305 11s 9d.

25th February 1836 LLC 22

Sold William Short 6000 pieces of lead one half refined at £21 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £20 10s fother.

3rd March 1836 LLC 22

Sold John Stagg of Stockton 2000 pieces of lead one half refined at £21 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £20 10s fother.

10th March 1836 LLC 22

Sold Walker Parker & Co 1000 pieces of lead one half refined at £23 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £22 10s fother.

17th March 1836 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4524 oz of fine silver at 5/4 5/8 an oz, they paid the company £1218 3s 7d.

Sold Parker & Co 2000 pieces of lead one half refined at £23 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £22 10s fother.

Sold James Lownds of Newcastle 100 casks of litharge.

24th March 1836 LLC 22

Sold James Lownds 2000 pieces of lead one half refined at £24 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £23 10s fother. And 100 casks of Litharge at £24 ton.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of lead one half refined at £24 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £23 10s fother.

31st March 1836 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday last.

And that an Extra Dividend of 10s per share for the year likewise be recommended.

31st March 1836 LLC 22

A dividend of 10s per share for the half year ending at Ladyday last and an extra dividend of 10s per share for the year was agreed.

14th April 1836 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3551 oz of fine silver at 5/4 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £948 15s 7d.

12th May 1836 LLC 22

Sold William Short for John Routledge 2000 pieces of lead one half refined at £26 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £25 10s fother.

Sold Messrs Laveisson 1500 pieces of refined lead at £26 fother and 1500 pieces of common lead at £25 fother.

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4461 oz of fine silver at 5/4 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £1194 4s 11d.

26th May 1836 LLC 22

Sold Maltby & Co 5000 pieces of lead one half refined at £26 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £25 10s fother.

9th June 1836 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4398 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £1181 19s 3d.

23rd June 1836 LLC 22

Sold Maltby & Co 2500 pieces of lead one half refined at £26 fother, one half common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £25 10s fother.

Two letters had been received from Mr Stagg touching the subject of Mr Middleton Hewitson's health and the Company's balance of cash between the Company and him. Mr Stagg was directed to immediately suspend all transactions in future by Mr Hewitson on the Company's account, and to communicate the same to Mr Latimer with instructions for him to communicate weekly with the Court until he receives further directions. *(In 1834/35 Mr Middleton Hewitson lived at 81 Percy Street Newcastle listed as a Gentleman)*

14th July 1836 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3408 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £917 13s 6d.

4th August 1836 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4946 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £1334 7s 9d.

1st September 1836 LLC 22

The Court heard that Joseph D. Stagg son of Robert Stagg was to be married they awarded £100 to be presented to him for such articles as he may approve for the furnishing of his house.

29th September 1836 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending this day.

29th September 1836 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4661 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £1262 7s 1d.

27th October 1836 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4152 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £1120 3s 6d.

24th November 1836 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2063 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £557 13s 0d.

8th December 1836 LLC 22

Mr Middleton Hewitson paid £80 15s 7d being the balance of his annual account.

15th December 1836 LLC 22

The Court received from Mr. Robert Bainbridge a conveyance from the Company to trustees of the Methodist Chapel at Nenthead to which the Company Seal was affixed.

The Court having taken into consideration the subject of their arrangements at Stella Wharf the lease of which expires in may **next** and finding they have no further occasion for Mr. Hewitson's services.

Resolved that he be acquainted with the above determination and be informed that the Court have determined to grant him an annuity of £100 per annum during their pleasure in consideration of his infirm state of health and length of service in the Company's employ, such annuity to commence from the 31st October Inst.

22nd December 1836 LLC 22

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3583 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £962 18s 7d.

2nd January 1837 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Hillersdon Governor

Mr John Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Henry Tritton

Mr James Williams

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr Octavius Wigram

Mr Richard Sanderson

19th January 1837 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1939 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £523 2s 6d.

23rd February 1837 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2079 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £560 17s 11d.

2nd March 1837 LLC 23

Sold Francis & White 5 tons of litharge at £26 ton.

16th March 1837 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2902 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £782 18s 8d.

30th March 1837 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday last.

And that an extra dividend of forty shillings per share for the year be likewise made to the proprietors.

30th March 1837 LLC 23

A meeting of the creditors of Thomas Maltby Son & Co offered the company 7s in the pound, which the court accepted.

A dividend of 15s per share for the half year ending Ladyday last, and that an extra dividend of 40 s per share for the year had been agreed.

13th April 1837 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3126 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £840 2s 3d.

11th May 1837 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1405 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £374 13s 4d.

25th May 1837 LLC 23

Sold John Locke & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother.

8th June 1837 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1717 oz of fine silver at 5/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £458 15s 3d.

30th June 1837 LLC 23

The Company seal was affixed to the lease and counterparts of mining grounds called High Dyke and Snares Gill in the Manor of Middleton from the Duke of Cleveland.

6th July 1837 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1491 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £396 16s 6d.

3rd August 1837 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1798 oz of fine silver at 5/33/8 an oz, they paid the company £478 10s 7d.

17th August 1837 LLC 23

Sold Walker Parker & Co 21000 pieces of lead 7500 refined at £19 fother, 4000 common at £19 fother, 7500 refined at £20 fother and 2000 slag at £18 15s fother.

Sold John Locke & Co 6500 pieces of lead 2500 refined at £19 fother 1000 common at £19 fother, 2500 refined at £20 fother 500 slag at £18 15s fother.

24th August 1837 LLC 23

Sold John Stagg of Stockton 1000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother and 100 common at £19 10s fother.

31st August 1837 LLC 23

Sold Locke & Blackett 2000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother.

7th September 1837 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1746 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £464 13s 10d.

28th September 1837 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next.

28th September 1837 LLC 23

Sold John Locke & Co 1500 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother and 500 pieces of common lead at £19 10s fother.

5th October 1837 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1807 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £480 18s 6d.

Sold William Pontifax Sons & Wood 3000 pieces of lead, 2000 refined at £20 fother, 1000 common at £19 10s fother.

26th October 1837 LLC 23

Sold John Fell Christie 5 tons of litharge at £21 ton.

2nd November 1837 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3098 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £824 10s 6d.

30th November 1837 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 577 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £153 17s 4d.

28th December 1837 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1566 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £417 12s 0d.

1st January 1838 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Hillersdon Governor

Mr John Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Kilpin Warner

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Henry Tritton

Mr James Williams

Mr James Horne

Mr Thomas Poynder junr

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Richard Sanderson

25th January 1838 LLC 23

Sold Walker Parker & Co 11000 pieces of lead, 5000 refined at £21 fother, 5000 common at £22 10s fother, and 1000 slag at £20 fother.

Sold John Locke & Co 6000 pieces of lead, 4000 refined at £21 fother and 2000 common at £20 10s fother.

1st February 1838 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1233 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £328 16s 0d.

8th February 1838 LLC 23

That Mr Staggs be advised of the following valuations made by the Court for his information.

Bouse ore 60/- per Bing

Cutting ore 50/- per Bing

Refined lead £14 per fother

Common lead £13 10s per fother

15th February 1838 LLC 23

Received £567 2s 5d being the 1st dividend on the estate of Thomas Maltby of 3s 8d in the pound (The Company were owed £3093 7s 9d).

1st March 1838 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3262 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £869 17s 4d.

22nd March 1838 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 633 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £168 16s 0d.

29th March 1838 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday last.

And that an extra dividend of twenty shillings per share for the year be likewise made to the proprietors.

5th April 1838 LLC 23

Sold Pontifex & Co 3000 pieces of lead, 1500 refined at £22 fother and 1500 common at £21 10s fother.

12th April 1838 LLC 39

A Court for electing an Assistant of the Corporation for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal for the remainder of the present year in the room of Mr Kilpin Warner disqualified.

Mr Frederic Reade was duly elected assistant.

17th May 1838 LLC 39

A Court for electing an Assistant of the Corporation for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal for the remainder of the present year in the room of Mr Henry Tritton deceased.

Mr Daniel Mildred was duly elected assistant

17th May 1838 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3061 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £814 13s 5d.

14th June 1838 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3926 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £1044 17s 9d.

12th July 1838 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3084 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £820 15s 10d.

The Company seal was affixed to the Counterpart of leases from William Hutchinson Esq. to the Company.

9th August 1838 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3502 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £932 0s 10d.

Received £180 9s 1d the 2nd dividend upon the state of Thomas Maltby of 1s 2d in the pound.

6th September 1838 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3457 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £921 17s 4d.

Sold John Locke & Co 6000 pieces of refined lead at £20 10s fother.

Sold Champion & Fishwick 2000 pieces of refined lead at £20 10s.

20th September 1838 LLC 23

Sold Walker Parker & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £21 fother and 3000 common at £20 10s fother.

27th September 1838 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next.

27th September 1838 LLC 23

Sold John Stagg of Stockton 2000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s fother.

4th October 1838 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3732 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £995 4s 0d.

1st November 1838 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4829 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £1287 14s 8d.

29th November 1838 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3114 oz of fine silver at 5/4 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £833 12s 10d.

Read a petition from the Company's workmen in Teesdale district forwarded to the Company's Superintendent requesting to be supplied with Rye by the Company under the present high price of corn, which was agreed to.

6th December 1838 LLC 23

Sold Walker & Parker 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 fother.

Mr. Harris (*Mr Richard Harris one of the Court of Assistants*) reported that he had purchased at Newcastle through Messrs. Pollard and Co. 250 quarters of foreign Rye at 48/- per quarter and that he had communicated such purchase to Mr. Stagg and given directions to Messrs. Pollard to follow the instructions of the Superintendent as to forwarding it to the interior. (See 21st February 1839 for cost)

20th December 1838 LLC 23

Sold John Locke & Co 6000 pieces of refined lead at £21 fother, 5000 delivered to Stockton, 1000 to Newcastle.

Sold Messrs Champion & Fishwick 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 fother delivered at Stockton.

27th December 1838 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3094 oz of fine silver at 5/4 5/8 an oz, they paid the company £833 2s 6d.

31st December 1838 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Hillersdon Governor

Mr John Masterman Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr James Williams

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Octavius Wigram

Mr Frederic Reade

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Thomas Poynder

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Daniel Mildred

24th January 1839 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4102 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £1108 16s 5d.

7th February 1839 LLC 23

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 fother and 2000 pieces of common lead at £20 fother.

14th February 1839 LLC 23

Sold John Stagg of Stockton 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £20 fother.

21st February 1839 LLC 23

Paid £1397 16s 11d to Richard Harris & Sons on account of Rye purchased.

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3333 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £904 8s 5d.

28th February 1839 LLC 23

Mr Stagg was advised of the following valuations made by the Court for his information.

Bouse ore 70/- per Bing

Cutting ore 60/- per Bing

Refined lead £15 per fother

Common lead £14 per fother

21st March 1839 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3607 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £978 15s 6d.

28th March 1839 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday last.

And that an extra dividend of ten shillings per share for the year be likewise made to the proprietors. (*on 9600 shares*)

23rd May 1839 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3499 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £944 0s 0d.

13th June 1839 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3646 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £985 11s 2d.

20th June 1839 LLC 23

Received £90 4s 6d the 3rd dividend upon the estate of Thomas Maltby of 7d in the pound.

11th July 1839 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3497 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £945 5s 7d.

1st August 1839 LLC 23

Sold John Locke & Co 6000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother.

8th August 1839 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3429 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £926 18s 1d.

Sold John Stagg of Stockton 2000 pieces of common lead at £19 fother and 500 pieces of slag lead at £18 10s fother.

5th September 1839 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3132 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £846 12s 4d.

Sold John Locke & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £19 fother and 3000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 10s fother.

Following the Courts deputation to the North giving their report.

The Court feel deeply the state of health of their Superintendent Mr. Robert Stagg and having taken into their consideration the amount of salary to be paid to him under the new arrangements as detailed in the social report. Resolved that the sum be fixed at one thousand pounds per annum from Michaelmas next.

19th September 1839 LLC 23

The Court ordered that the general map of the governor and Company's mineral districts should be sent to the Superintendent in the North so that it may be brought up to date.

26th September 1839 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas last.

3rd October 1839 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4460 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £1207 18s 4d.

17th October 1839 LLC 23

The Court came to a resolution to burn their old books and papers that were useless as under. Old letters to 1830

Bills of exchange and warrants for money	to 1830
Dividend warrants, Tradesmen's bills	to 1830
Contracts completed, Governors books	to 1830
Minute books of the committees	to 1830
Annual vouchers for money paid to the workmen	to 1830
Rough Court Minute books	to 1830

Letter books	to 1800
Ledgers	to 1800
Cash books	to 1800

31st October 1839 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3557 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £963 7s 1d.

Sold John Locke & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother and 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother.

Sold Champion & Fishwick 2000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother and 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother.

7th November 1839 LLC 23

Sold John Locke & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother and 3000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother.

14th November 1839 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Mangles & Price 1500 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother.

Sold Francis Bergan 1000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother and 3000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother.

Sold John Ball & Co 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother.

Sold Mackay Holt & Co 1000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother delivered at Newcastle.

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother and 3000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother. Also sold John Locke & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother and 3000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother.

Sold Champion & Fishwick 1000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother and 1000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother.

21st November 1839 LLC 23

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother and 4000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother.

28th November 1839 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2345 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £632 13s 3d.

Sold Walker & Parker 5000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother.

5th December 1839 LLC 23

Sold John Locke & Co 1000 pieces of slag lead at £16 10s fother.

Sold Champion & Fishwick 1000 pieces of slag lead at £16 10s fother.

12th December 1839 LLC 23

Sold John Stagg 500 pieces of slag lead at £16 10s fother.

26th December 1839 LLC 23

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother and 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 fother.

30th December 1839 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr James Williams

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Thomas Poynder

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Richard Sanderson

Mr Richard Alsager

2nd January 1840 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3241 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £874 7s 11d.

16th January 1840 LLC 23

In accordance with the Courts instruction of the 17th October last the books and papers had been destroyed. Mr Dean (Charles Dean Company Accountant) had attended and seen the destruction of the books and papers at the furnace of Messrs Calvert's Brewery.

23rd January 1840 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2672 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £720 17s 8d.

20th February 1840 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2441 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £658 11s 2d.

27th February 1840 LLC 23

Sold John Locke & Co 3000 pieces of common lead at £17 fother.

19th March 1840 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2717 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £733 0s 5d.

26th March 1840 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday last.

26th March 1840 LLC 23

A dividend of 15s per share for the half year ending Ladyday last was agreed.

16th April 1840 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3206 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £864 10s 7d.

14th May 1840 LLC 23

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2377 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £642 10s 7d.

The Court read Robert Stagg's report and expressed their satisfaction especially with the reduction of the number of men employed as requested by the Court in their letters of the 21st and 28th November last.

4th June 1840 LLC 23

Sold John Locke & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £19 fother
Sold John Fell Christy 5 tons of litharge at £19 ton.

11th June 1840 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3385 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £915 0s 1d.

9th July 1840 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2448 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £661 14s 6d.

Sold John Stagg of Stockton 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 fother.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £19 fother and 2000 pieces of common (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 fother.

Sold John Locke & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £19 fother.

6th August 1840 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3446 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £931 10s 0d.

John Liddle was appointed to act as the Company's Gamekeeper.

3rd September 1840 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1917 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £520 3s 8d.

The Court asked Robert Stagg to enter into a negotiation with Robert Walton Bainbridge with a view to the appointing him General Mine Agent.

Resolved that books to the extent of about Thirty pounds be purchased for the Workmen's Libraries in the North.

10th September 1840 LLC 24

Sold John Locke & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother, and 5000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 fother, also 1500 pieces of slag lead at £18 fother.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother and 3000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 5s fother.

Sold John Locke Co 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 5s fother.

17th September 1840 LLC 24

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £20 fother.

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £20 fother.

Mr. R W Bainbridge be appointed General Mine Agent (in addition to his present appointment as Law Agent) at a salary of £400 per annum for the joint appointment.

24th September 1840 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next.

26th September 1840 LLC 24

Sold Charles Francis & Son 20 casks of litharge.

1st October 1840 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1980 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £537 5s 7d.

22nd October 1840 LLC 24

Mr Robert Bainbridge of Alston in the County of Cumberland be the Company's lawful Attorney to act for them in all respects in carrying into execution an Act passed in the 6th and 7th years of his late Majesty's William the fourth intituled "An Act for the commutations of Tithes in England and Wales".

29th October 1840 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2812 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £765 19s 6d.

26th November 1840 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2072 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £562 4s 11d.

3rd December 1840 LLC 24

Sold Walker Parker 6000 pieces of lead, 4000 refined at £21 fother, and 2000 common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £20 fother.

24th December 1840 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1898 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £513 1s 0d.

The Court desire to record the peculiar gratification they have derived from the very flattering prospects which have just opened upon the Company, and which are so creditable to the talents and persevering exertions of the Superintendent as well as to the Agents, and Overmen, under his directions.

Resolved that the report of the continued good conduct of the agents, clerks and overmen, during the past year, is highly gratifying to the Court, and that Mr Stagg be directed to communicate the same to the several parties.

31st December 1840 LLC 24

Sold Walker Parker 5000 pieces of lead, 3000 refined at £21 fother, and 1000 common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £20 fother and 1000 slag lead at £19 10s fother.

4th January 1841 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr James Williams

Mr James Horne

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Richard Sanderson

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Simeon Warner

Mr Frederic Reade

Mr Richard Alsager

7th January 1841 LLC 24

Sold Christy & Co 5 tons of litharge at £21 ton.

21st January 1841 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3601 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £973 7s 10d.

11th February 1841 LLC 39

A Court for electing an Assistant of the Corporation for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal for the remainder of the present year in the room of Richard Alsager Esq. deceased.

Mr John Dimsdale was duly elected assistant

25th February 1841 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2521 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £681 9s 2d.

18th March 1841 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3772 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £1013 14s 6d.

25th March 1841 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending this day.

Likewise that an extra dividend of twenty shillings per share for the year to be made to the proprietors.

15th April 1841 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2958 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £794 19s 3d.

13th May 1841 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2616 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £705 15s 6d.

20th May 1841 LLC 24

Sold James Lownds of Newcastle 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 fother.

27th May 1841 LLC 24

The Company's seal was affixed to a deed of surrender to the Duke of Cleveland, of East Hudshope, West Hudshope and High Dyke mining leases, which was returned to Mr Bainbridge.

10th June 1841 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4756 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £1283 2s 7d.

8th July 1841 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2986 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £804 0s 10d.

Sold James Lownds of Newcastle 4000 pieces of lead, 2000 refined at £21 10s fother, and 2000 common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £20 10s fother.

15th July 1841 LLC 24

The Governor informed the Court that a communication had been received from Mr Stagg, containing an application from Mr Cuthbert Rippon requesting the Court would relinquish so much of the powers granted to them in their lease of the mineral ground belonging to Mr Rippon as to permit him (Mr Rippon) to work the Iron ore supposed to exist therein and Mr Stagg having recommended a compliance with the request the Governor had authorised him to give the Company's assent to the proposal. Due care being taken to guard against any inconvenience in the Company's workings.

29th July 1841 LLC 24

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of lead, 1000 refined at £21 10s fother, and 1000 common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £20 10s fother
Sold John Locke & Co 1000 pieces of refined lead at £22 fother.

5th August 1841 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2864 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £771 3s 10d.

2nd September 1841 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3086 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £830 19s 5d.

23rd September 1841 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next.

30th September 1841 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3836 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £1032 18s 5d.

28th October 1841 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3514 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £940 14s 6d.

11th November 1841 LLC 24

The agreement between the Company and Col. Beaumont dated 17 August 1810 to compromise and settle a dispute concerning a cross vein at Middlehope was taken out of the Tin box and delivered to Mr. Tilson for the purpose of having a copy sent to Mr. R W Bainbridge.

18th November 1841 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2316 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £621 4s 4d.

Sold John Locke 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 fother.

Sold James Lownds 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 fother.

Sold James & Co of Newcastle 2500 pieces of refined lead at £21 fother, and 500 common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £20 fother.

9th December 1841 LLC 24

Sold John Locke 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 fother.

16th December 1841 LLC 24

Sold John Stagg 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 10s fother.

23rd December 1841 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2367 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £633 13s 4d.

3rd January 1842 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor
Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay	Mr John Dimsdale
Mr Jacob Hagen	Mr Richard Peckover Harris
Mr James Horne	Mr Charles Mills
Mr Thomas H A Poynder	Mr Frederic Reade
Mr Richard Sanderson	Mr Simeon Warner

13th January 1842 LLC 24

Sold Charles Francis & Son 20 casks of litharge at £21 ton.

20th January 1842 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2710 oz of fine silver at 5/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £724 1s 7d.

The Company's seal was affixed to the counterpart of a lease from the Earl of Lonsdale of Hilton and Murton mines and Mill for 21 years and the counterpart sent to Mr Bainbridge.

17th February 1842 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2319 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £618 8s 0d.

24th February 1842 LLC 24

Sold James Lownds 2000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother, and 2000 common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 fother.

10th March 1842 LLC 24

Sold John Locke & Co 2500 pieces of lead 1000 common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 fother, and 1500 pieces of slag lead at £18 fother.

17th March 1842 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2430 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £646 14s 9d.

Sold John Locke & Co 5000 pieces of lead, 2500 refined at £20 fother, and 2500 common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £19 fother

The Company's corporate seal was affixed to an under lease of the Iron Ore in the Stanhope Hall Estate granted (For the benefit of Mr Cuthbert Rippon) to Mr John Rippon, as their nominee and the document returned to Mr R W Bainbridge.

24th March 1842 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday next.

31st March 1842 LLC 24

A memorial to the Board of Trade on the subject of the proposed alteration in the Duty on Lead and Lead Ore washed was read.

14th April 1842 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2894 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £768 14s 4d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 16000 pieces of lead, 4000 refined at £19 10s fother, and 7000 common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 10s fother, also 5000 slag lead at £17 fother. Sold John Locke & Co 10000 pieces of lead, 5000 refined at £19 10s fother, and 3000 common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 10s fother, also 2000 slag lead at £17 fother.

21st April 1842 LLC 24

Sold James Lownds & Co 1000 pieces of refined lead at £19 10s fother, and 1000 common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 10s fother.

Sold John Stagg 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 10s fother.

28th April 1842 LLC 24

Sold James & Co 1400 pieces of refined lead at £19 10s fother, and 600 common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £18 10s fother.

12th May 1842 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3936 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £1047 11s 0d.

9th June 1842 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2354 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £630 3s 8d.

7th July 1842 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2874 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £772 7s 9d.

4th August 1842 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3258 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £872 3s 10d.

Resolved that the income tax payable on the salaries of all agents, clerks etc. in the Company's employment be paid by the Company.

18th August 1842 LLC 24

Sold James & Co 1500 pieces of refined lead at £18 10s fother, and 1100 common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 10s fother.

Sold John Stagg 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10 slag lead) at £17 10s fother.

1st September 1842 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4074 oz of fine silver at 5/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £1088 10s 5d.

The Court have heard with deep feelings of regret that part of the report of the Deputation who recently visited the Company's works in the North relating to the impaired state of health of Mr. Robert Stagg which renders him unable any longer to hold the situation of Superintendent of their affairs, a trust to which he was appointed upwards of 25 years since and the duties of which he discharged with such credit to himself and advantage to the company, as to make the Company desirous of recording the deep sense they entertain of his conduct.

Appointments.

13 April 1809	Agent at Stanhope Mill.
24 May 1810	Cashier and Superintendent of all the Smelting works etc.
24 February 1814	Superintendent of the Teesdale mines.
25 April 1816	General Superintendent of the Company's mines and concerns in the North.

It appears to the Court to be superfluous to enter into any minute particulars of the service of Mr. Stagg for whether they look to the reports of former deputation's which allude to various abuses and irregularities that had crept into the management of the concern at the period that he first took office, and to the correction of which his attention was immediately directed or to the indefatigable zeal and ability he has directed in making improvements in every branch of the concern (particularly in the washing of ore) as also by enforcing a rigid principle of economy in the working of the mines by the introduction of a general system of order and regularity among them, which has worked so successfully to the interest of the Company and to the welfare of the number of Human Beings placed under his influence. The Court can only come to the same conclusion, that he has most ably performed his duties and reiterate their sincere regards at the loss of his valuable services, as their General Superintendent, and the more particular so as to the cause which has led to his resignation of that situation. Resolved that a copy of the foregoing minute signed by the secretary be transmitted to Mr. Robert Stagg with the fervent desire of this Court that in the office of cashier which he has consented to retain they may yet have the benefit for many years of his counsel and advice in the general condition of the concern.

19th September 1842 LLC 24

Sold J F Christy 20 casks of litharge.

22nd September 1842 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 20 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next, and the income tax be not deducted from the dividend warrants but paid by the Company.

29th September 1842 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2828 oz of fine silver at 5/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £755 12s 1d.

6th October 1842 LLC 24

Read a letter from Mr James Lownds dated 1st October addressed to Messrs Tilson, (*The Solicitors acting for the London Lead Company*) consenting to a proposition made by Messrs Tilson on behalf of the Company to cancel the following contracts:

		Refined	Common	Slag
1841	July 1st	500	900	-
	November 15	2000	-	-
1842	February 17	2000	2000	-
	April 16	1000	900	100
		5500	3800	100

Total number of pieces of lead cancelled 9400

(*The Lead Company had found itself unable to meet all its commitments.*)

20th October 1842 LLC 24

Sold John Locke & Co 1000 pieces of Slag lead at £16 fother.

27th October 1842 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2771 oz of fine silver at 5/35/8 an oz, they paid the company £734 12s 0d.

Sold John Locke & Co 650 pieces of common lead at £17 fother.

24th November 1842 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2300 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £612 2s 8d.

1st December 1842 LLC 24

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £18 5s fother.

8th December 1842 LLC 24

Messrs Walker Parker & Co bought 23,000 pieces of lead in the proportion of 10,000 pieces refined at £18 per fother of 21 cwt

10,000 pieces common at £17 per fother of 21 cwt

3,000 pieces of slag at £16 per fother of 21 cwt

Credit 6 months and with the option of extending it to 9 months on paying of interest at the rate of 3 percent per annum for the last 3 months. Likewise to Messrs John Locke & Co

15,000 pieces in the proportion

6,000 pieces refined at £18 per fother of 21 cwt

6,000 pieces common at £17 per fother of 21 cwt

2,000 pieces of slag at £16 per fother of 21 cwt

1,000 pieces refined at £18 5s per fother of 21 cwt

Credit 6 months with the same option as Messrs Walker & Co.

15th December 1842 LLC 24

Messrs John Lock & Co had on the 10th inst. paid into Messrs Barclay & Co £4,387 10s which with discount of £112 10s makes £4500 on account of their contract of 8th inst.

22nd December 1842 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2257 oz of fine silver at 5/35/8 an oz, they paid the company £598 6s 9d.

2nd January 1843 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr John Dimsdale

Mr Jacob Hagen

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr James Horne

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Thomas H A Poynder

Mr Frederic Reade

Mr Richard Sanderson

Mr James Williams

19th January 1843 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3209 oz of fine silver at 5/35/8 an oz, they paid the company £850 14s 4d.

9th February 1843 LLC 24

Sold John Stagg 2000 pieces of common lead at £17 10s fother.

16th February 1843 LLC 39

A Court for electing an Assistant of the Corporation for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal for the remainder of the present year in the room of James Williams Esq. deceased.

Mr Henry Tritton was duly elected assistant

16th February 1843 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3285 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £872 11s 6d.

2nd March 1843 LLC 24

Sold Watson & Co 46 casks of litharge at £18 10s ton.

16th March 1843 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2987 oz of fine silver at 5/35/8 an oz, they paid the company £791 17s 3d.

23rd March 1843 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday next, and the income tax be not deducted from the dividend warrants but paid by the Company.

13th April 1843 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2716 oz of fine silver at 5/35/8 an oz, they paid the company £720 0s 6d.

11th May 1843 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1819 oz of fine silver at 5/35/8 an oz, they paid the company £482 4s 5d.

25th May 1843 LLC 24

A warrant for £4,000 was signed to Northumberland and Durham District Banking Co for Robert Stagg's Bill £3,346 due 1st June.

8th June 1843 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2317 oz of fine silver at 5/35/8 an oz, they paid the company £614 4s 11d.

6th July 1843 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2492 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £661 18s 9d.

Sold J F Christy 5 tons of litharge at £18 10s ton.

3rd August 1843 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2962 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £786 15s 7d.

24th August 1843 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2432 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £646 0s 0d.

31st August 1843 LLC 24

Resolved that Mr. John Millican be allowed the annual sum of Two hundred pounds upon his retirement from office as District agent of Alston Moor.

7th September 1843 LLC 24

Sold John Locke & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £18 10s fother.

14th September 1843 LLC 43

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £18 10s fother.

21st September 1843 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next, and the income tax be not deducted from the dividend warrants but paid by the Company.

21st September 1843 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3411 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £906 0s 11d.

19th October 1843 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3427 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £910 5s 11d.

Sold James & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £18 10s fother.

26th October 1843 LLC 24

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £18 10s fother.

9th November 1843 LLC 24

Sold Walker Parker & Co 8000 pieces of refined lead at £18 10s fother and 20000 pieces of common lead at £17 fother.

16th November 1843 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2389 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £634 11s 6d.

Sold John Stagg 2000 pieces of common lead at £17 fother.

23rd November 1843 LLC 24

Sold John Stagg 4000 pieces of common lead at £17 5s fother and 400 pieces of slag lead at £17 fother.

14th December 1843 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2454 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £651 16s 10d.

1st January 1844 LLC 39

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Edward Hagen

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr James Horne

Mr Daniel Mildred
Mr Frederic Reade
Mr Henry Tritton

Mr Thomas Henry Allan Poynder
Mr Richard Sanderson
Mr Simeon Warner

11th January 1844 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2654 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £704 19s 4d.

A communication having been made by Mr. Bainbridge to the Deputy Governor enclosing a letter from the Rev. Hugh Salvin vicar of Alston dated 3 January relative to the proposed grant of land at Nenthead for the site etc. of the new church.

Resolved that Mr. Tilson be instructed to prepare the necessary abstract of the Title and forward the same to the Company Superintendent.

8th February 1844 LLC 24

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2209 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £587 18s 4d.

7th March 1844 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2546 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £677 12s 2d.

14th March 1844 LLC 25

Sold Walker Parker & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £18 10s fother.

21st March 1844 LLC 25

Sold J F Christy 5 tons of litharge at £18 10s ton.

28th March 1844 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday last, and the income tax be not deducted from the dividend warrants but paid by the Company.

4th April 1844 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2481 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £659 0s 3d.

2nd May 1844 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2626 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £698 18s 0d.

30th May 1844 LLC 25

The Company corporate seal was affixed to the counterpart of a lease from John Bowes Esq. and the Trustees of the Late Earl of Strathmore of lead mines situate in the Counties of York and Durham and the counterpart returned to Mr R W Bainbridge.

13th June 1844 LLC 25

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £18 10s fother.

20th June 1844 LLC 25

The Company's seal was affixed to the counterpart of a lease from Timothy Hutchinson Esq. of lead mines in the Manor of Egglestone in the County of Durham.

27th June 1844 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2670 oz of fine silver at 5/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £713 7s 9d.

The Company's seal was attached to two leases and the counterparts thereof from the Earl of Thanet of lead mines in the several Manors of Dufton, Knock and Milburn in the County of Westmorland, and Dufton Smelt Mill in the same County, and the aforesaid documents returned to Mr R W Bainbridge together with the two old leases dated respectively 26th April 1823 and 2 July 1823.

25th July 1844 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3503 oz of fine silver at 5/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £935 19s 2d.

8th August 1844 LLC 24

Sold Walker Parker 1000 pieces of slag lead at £15 fother.

5th September 1844 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Moses Brothers 300 pieces of refined lead at £18 10s fother.

Messrs. Bainbridge the Company solicitor's in the North be instructed to submit the whole case relative to the dispute with Mr. Beaumont as to the Company's workings in Middlehope mine for the opinion of Counsel in London.

The Superintendent be allowed to present Mr. J D Stagg (after he has left his situation under the Company) with a gratuity of Two hundred pounds in consideration of his past services; also to acquaint him that the Court cancel their claim upon him for re-imbursement of his expenses that have been incurred in taking out his patents for his Flume Condenser.

The Superintendent be instructed to proceed immediately with the maturing plans and estimates for the construction of a water dam in Priorsdale (Perry's Dam?) and for the erection of a Flume Condenser at Nenthead and to submit the same to the Court.

19th September 1844 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2778 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £743 13s 10d.

26th September 1844 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next, and the income tax be not deducted from the dividend warrants but paid by the Company.

26th September 1844 LLC 25

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £18 10s fother.

Warrant was signed for £19 2s 0d to George Barnes for wine sent to Middleton.

17th October 1844 LLC 25

Sold J F Christy 5 tons of litharge at £18 10s ton.

24th October 1844 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2229 oz of fine silver at 5/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £595 11s 2d.

7th November 1844 LLC 25

Sold James & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £18 15s fother.

14th November 1844 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2316 oz of fine silver at 5/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £618 16s 1d.

28th November 1844 LLC 25

Sold John Locke & Co 25000 pieces of common lead at £16 fother.

12th December 1844 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2362 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £629 17s 4d.

30th December 1844 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr Edward Hagen

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Henry Tritton

Mr John Dimsdale

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Thomas H A Poynder

Mr Simeon Warner

2nd January 1845 LLC 25

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £18 fother.

9th January 1845 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2347 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £625 17s 4d.

Sold Messrs Richardson, Currie & Co of Newcastle 150 tons of litharge at £17 ton to be made from Teesdale common lead and delivered at Blaydon in proportions of 25 tons per month.

23rd January 1845 LLC 25

Resolved that in compliance with the requirements of the Act of Parliament passed in the last session relative to the above, the corporation be registered and that the certificate be signed accordingly by the Governor, Deputy Governor and secretary.

6th February 1845 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2657 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £705 15s 3d.

13th February 1845 LLC 25

Sold John Locke & Co 200 pieces of refined lead at £18 10s fother.

The Company's corporate seal was affixed to the conveyance of the site of the Church at Nenthead.

27th February 1845 LLC 25

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £16 10s fother.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £17 fother.

Sold John Locke & Co 500 pieces of refined lead at £18 10s fother.

6th March 1845 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1137 oz of fine silver at 5/35/8 an oz, they paid the company £301 8s 5d.

27th March 1845 LLC 39
Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday last, and the income tax be not deducted from the dividend warrants but paid by the Company.

27th March 1845 LLC 25

Sold Walker Parker & Co 1000 pieces of Stanhope refined, and 1000 pieces of Nenthead refined lead at £19 fother, also 2000 pieces of common lead at £17 10s fother.

3rd April 1845 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4117 oz of fine silver at 5/33/8 an oz, they paid the company £1087 2s 11d.

10th April 1845 LLC 25

Sold J F Christy 5 tons of litharge at £19 ton.

1st May 1845 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3625 oz of fine silver at 5/33/8 an oz, they paid the company £957 4s 6d.

Mr Tilson attended the Court in consequence of a notice received by him from Messrs Donkin & Co as to the commencement on the part of Mr Beaumont of an action of law relative to the dispute with regard to Middlehope mine. When Mr Tilson was directed in accordance with the advice given to the Court by their Counsel to file a Bill in Chancery so as to raise the question between Mr Beaumont and themselves in that Court.

15th May 1845 LLC 25

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £19 fother, 500 pieces of refined at £20 fother and 1000 pieces of common lead at £18 10s fother.

Mr. Bainbridge the Company Superintendent attended the Court he submitted to the Court his estimate of the Condensing apparatus and water dam proposed to be erected at Nenthead. He was instructed to proceed with these immediately and to divide the cost of these over a period of years at a rate of £1,000 a year.

29th May 1845 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2493 oz of fine silver at 5/33/8 an oz, they paid the company £658 6s 2d.

19th June 1845 LLC 25

Resolved. That in consequence of the difficulty in finding profitable investment for the surplus funds of the Company it is deemed expedient to reduce the capital of the Company.
Resolved. That it be recommended to a General Court that £12 10s per share be returned to the respective proprietors of the Lead Company to be payable on or after the 21st of July.
Resolved. That a general Court be summoned for Thursday the 3rd July to take into consideration the foregoing resolution.

26th June 1845 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3657 oz of fine silver at 5/31/2 an oz, they paid the company £967 11s 8d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 12000 pieces of lead, 2000 refined at £20 fother, 8000 common at £18 10s fother and 2000 slag at £17 10s fother.

Lead Office,

9, MARTIN'S LANE, CANNON STREET,

19th June, 1845.

SIR,

I am directed to call your particular attention to the following Resolutions of the Court of Assistants held this day:—

1. Resolved, That in consequence of the difficulty of finding profitable investment for the surplus Funds of the Company, it is deemed expedient to reduce the Capital of the Company.
2. Resolved, That it be recommended to a General Court that £ 2 . 10 / per Share be returned to the respective Proprietors of the Lead Company, to be payable on or after the 21st day of July.
3. Resolved, That a General Court be summoned for Thursday, the 3rd July, to take into consideration the foregoing Resolutions.

I am,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

CHAS DEANE, Secy

The following Advertisement appeared in the London Gazette of Friday, the 20th June:—

“ *Lead Office, 19th June, 1845.*

“Notice is hereby given, that a General Court of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal, will be held at the Company's House in Martin's Lane, Cannon Street, on Thursday, the 3rd July next, at 12 o'Clock precisely, on Special affairs.”

3rd July 1845 LLC 39

A General Court

This Court doth Resolve

That the sum of £120,000 part of the Capital stock of this Corporation being at the rate of £12 10s per share on the whole of the shares in the said Capital stock, be withdrawn from and taken out of the said Capital stock and apportioned between and among and paid to the several proprietors of shares in the said Capital Stock, in proportion to the number of shares now standing in their names respectively in the Books of this Corporation and that such payment be made on or after the 21st day of July inst.

10th July 1845 LLC 25

Sold John Locke 10000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother, and 1000 pieces of slag lead at £17 10s fother.

Sold Messrs Richardson Currie & Co 105 tons of litharge at £18 10s ton to be made from Teesdale common lead and delivered at Blaydon at the rate of 35 tons per month.

24th July 1845 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3150 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £836 14s 4d.

21st August 1845 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3947 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £1050 9s 6d.

28th August 1845 LLC 25

Sold J F Christy 5 tons litharge at £20 10s ton.

4th September 1845 LLC 25

Sold Thomas Grace & Co 1000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £20 10s fother and 1000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £20 fother.

18th September 1845 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2713 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £722 1s 0d.

25th September 1845 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 15 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next, and the income tax be not deducted from the dividend warrants but paid by the Company.

25th September 1845 LLC 25

Sold John Locke & Co 260 pieces of common lead at £18 10s fother.

16th October 1845 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3599 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £959 14s 8d.

Sold Messrs Stagg, Byers & Co 3000 pieces of common lead at £19 fother.

6th November 1845 LLC 25

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £21 fother and 1000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10th slag) at £19 10s fother.

11th December 1845 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2733 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £725 19s 0d.

29th December 1845 LLC 39

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr William Gladstone

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr John Dimsdale

Mr Edward Hagen

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Thomas H A Poynder
Mr Henry Tritton

Mr Richard Sanderson
Mr Simeon Warner

8th January 1846 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2492 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £783 0s 0d.

Sold J F Christy 5 tons of litharge at £21 ton.

22nd January 1846 LLC 25

Sold Walker Parker & Co 7000 pieces of refined lead at £21 fother, 10000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10th slag lead) at £19 fother and 3000 pieces of common lead at £19 fother.

5th February 1846 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2715 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £721 3s 5d.

26th February 1846 LLC 25

Mr Tilson and Mr R W Bainbridge attended this Court and explained the substance of an interview they had had with the solicitor and agent of Mr Beaumont with the view of making compromise in regard to the dispute relative to Middlehope mine, and they were requested to proceed in maturing the same.

5th March 1846 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2447 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £649 19s 8d.

26th March 1846 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday next, and the income tax be not deducted from the dividend warrants but paid by the Company.

2nd April 1846 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2716 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £721 8s 9d.

30th April 1846 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3086 oz of fine silver at 5/31/2 an oz, they paid the company £816 10s 1d.

28th May 1846 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2945 oz of fine silver at 5/31/2 an oz, they paid the company £779 4s 0d.

11th June 1846 LLC 25

Sold J F Christy 5 tons of litharge at £21 ton.

25th June 1846 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2387 oz of fine silver at 5/31/2 an oz, they paid the company £631 11s 2d.

9th July 1846 LLC 25

Read a letter from Messrs Tilson & Co 4th July on the subject of the exchange of property with Mr Beaumont, when it was referred to them to effect a speedy settlement thereof, according to the suggestions contained in their letter.

23rd July 1846 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3593 oz of fine silver at 5/35/8 an oz, they paid the company £952 10s 4d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of Nenthead refined lead at £20 10s fother.

30th July 1846 LLC 25

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £19 fother.

13th August 1846 LLC 25

The Company's seal was affixed to an assignment of Silver Band Mine in the Manor of the Earl of Thanet in the County of Westmoreland and likewise to the Counterpart of a new lease of the same from the Earl of Thanet for 21 years from the 18th June 1846.

20th August 1846 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3468 oz of fine silver at 5/35/8 an oz, they paid the company £919 7s 7d.

10th September 1846 LLC 25

Sold 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £21 fother.

17th September 1846 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3038 oz of fine silver at 5/35/8 an oz, they paid the company £805 7s 8d.

24th September 1846 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next, and the income tax be not deducted from the dividend warrants but paid by the Company.

15th October 1846 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3345 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £888 10s 3d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 1000 pieces of refined lead at £21 fother.

12th November 1846 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2323 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £625 10s 4d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of refined lead at £18 10s fother, and 2000 pieces of slag lead at £17 10s fother.

Sold Joshua Byers 3000 pieces of common lead at £18 10s fother.

3rd December 1846 LLC 25

Sold J F Christy 5 tons litharge at £21 ton.

10th December 1846 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2565 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £690 13s 6d.

17th December 1846 LLC 25

Sold Mr Joshua Byers 1500 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother and 1500 pieces of common lead at £18 10s fother.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother.

24th December 1846 LLC 25

Mr. Tilson attended the Court and received instructions to adopt such measures as he may think proper respecting the deficiency of the Company's lead under the charge of Mr. Wilkinson at Stockton.

31st December 1846 LLC 25

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother.

4th January 1847 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr William Gladstone

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Henry Tritton

Mr John Dimsdale

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Richard Sanderson

Mr Simeon Warner

7th January 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3233 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £870 11s 0d.

14th January 1847 LLC 25

Resolved that a donation of Ten pounds be given to George Baker in compliance with a communication from Mr Stagg.

4th February 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3093 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £836 1s 6d.

18th February 1847 LLC 25

Sold Joshua Byers 1000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother, and 1000 pieces of common lead at £18 10s fother.

The Deputy Governor acquainted the Court that he had received a communication from Mr. Bainbridge informing him that Mr. Hugh Lee Pattinson of whom the Company in the year 1837 purchased a license for the use of his patented invention for refining lead by crystallisation had applied to the Privy council for an extension of such patent.

Ordered that Mr. Tilson be instructed to take such steps in regard these to, as he may **deem** necessary to protect the interest of the Company.

4th March 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3175 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £858 4s 10d.

11th March 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Pontifex & Co 1500 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £20 fother and 1500 pieces of common lead at £18 10s fother.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother.

25th March 1847 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday next, and the income tax be not deducted from the dividend warrants but paid by the Company.

1st April 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3533 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £955 0s 3d.

18th April 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother.

22nd April 1847 LLC 25

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother and 4000 pieces of common lead at £18 10s fother.

29th April 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2736 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £733 17s 6d.

The Company's seal was affixed to the deeds of exchange with Mr. Beaumont of lead mines in the Parishes of Stanhope and Wolsingham in the County of Durham; and the assignment of Bentham to the Governor and Company dated 5th May 1791 and a demise Sir William Blackett to the Governor and Company dated 26th September 1791 were given to Messrs. Meggison and Co. Mr. Beaumont's solicitor.

6th May 1847 LLC 25

Resolved that the thanks of this Court be presented to William Byers Esq. for the able and satisfactory manner in which he has conducted for so many years the responsible office of Surgeon to the workmen in the Company's employ and that he be requested to accept of piece of plate of the value of Fifty guineas as a mark of the Company's approbation of his retirement from that office.

27th May 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2947 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £784 6s 7d.

17th June 1847 LLC 25

Sold Joshua Byers 2000 pieces of common lead (including 1/10th slag) at £18 10s fother. The Court having taken into consideration the representations which have been made to them of the great difficulty in obtaining the services of Medical Gentlemen of adequate abilities for the allowance which have heretofore been given in Teesdale and Alston Moor under the medical regulations of this Court of 26th March 1829.

Resolved that the Medical Gentlemen in the said districts be allowed the use of respective houses rent free and the salary of the Surgeon for Teesdale be Three hundred pounds a year and that of the Alston Moor One hundred and fifty pounds a year from Midsummer day.

24th June 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 5712 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £1523 4s 0d.

Mr. Tilson informed the Court that Hugh Lee Pattinson's request for an extension to the period of his patent had been refused by the Privy Council.

1st July 1847 LLC 25

Mr. William Ewart was appointed surgeon to the Teesdale district.

15th July 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Pontifex & Co 1500 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £20 fother, and 1500 pieces of Teesdale common lead at £18 10s fother.

Sold J F Christy 5 tons of litharge at £20 ton.

22nd July 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1698 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £455 9s 0d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £20 fother, 1500 pieces of common lead at £18 10s fother, and 2000 pieces of slag lead at £17 10s fother.

5th August 1847 LLC 25

Mr. Bidder's report on the Workmen's Fund was read and forwarded to Mr. Bainbridge. The sum of Eighty pounds was presented to Mr. Bidder for his trouble in making the report. Messrs. Tilson & Co. presented to the Court the case they had drawn with the opinion of counsel in respect of their lead sold by Messrs Wilkinson & Co of Stockton to Messrs. Pontifex and Wood. Messrs. Tilson & Co. were instructed to take such further action as they deem right on the part of the Company.

19th August 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4186 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £1124 19s 9d.

16th September 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3406 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £911 16s 3d.

23rd September 1847 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next, and the income tax be not deducted from the dividend warrants but paid by the Company.

23rd September 1847 LLC 25

Sold John Locke & Co 75 pieces of slag lead at £17 10s fother.

Mr Tilson attended the Court and recommended that no proceedings be taken against Pontifex and Wood in the matter of John Wilkinson's defaultation, but that the Company should prove their debt against John Wilkinson's estate.

14th October 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4473 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £1188 2s 9d.

Resolved that Ten pounds be given to the Coal Subscription at Middleton.

That a sum not exceeding Thirty pounds be applied to the purchase of works for the libraries.

That a subscription of Ten pounds be given towards Mr. Salvin's proportion of the yearly income to be provided for the Clergyman at Nenthead for the passed year and to be continued annually.

11th November 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2745 oz of fine silver at 5/35/8 an oz, they paid the company £656 2s 8d.

25th November 1847 LLC 25

The Duke of Cleveland agreed to make a reduction of the rate of Duty ore payable to his Grace.

9th December 1847 LLC 25

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3942 oz of fine silver at 5/35/8 an oz, they paid the company £1045 0s 10d.

3rd January 1848 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Robert Barclay

Mr William Gladstone

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Richard Sanderson

Mr John Dinsdale

Mr Edward Hagen

Mr James Horne

Mr Thomas H A Poynder

Mr Simeon Warner

6th January 1848 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2913 oz of fine silver at 5/35/8 an oz, they paid the company £772 4 11d.

20th January 1848 LLC 26

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £18 10s fother.

The Governor having reported an interview he had had with Messrs. Pontifex and Wood relative to their application as to the quantity of some lead purchased by them.

Resolved that the sum of One hundred pounds be presented to them in satisfaction of all claims in respect there to.

3rd February 1848 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2806 oz of fine silver at 5/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £745 6s 11d.

Sold Joshua Byers 2000 pieces of common lead at £17 10s fother.

10th February 1848 LLC 26

Sold J F Christy 5 tons of litharge at £18 19s ton.

2nd March 1848 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2943 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £783 5s 4d.

16th March 1848 LLC 26

The Company's seal was affixed to the counterpart lease of lead mines within the Manor of Egglestone in the County of Durham from Timothy Hutchinson Esq. to the Governor and Company.

23rd March 1848 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday next, and the income tax be not deducted from the dividend warrants but paid by the Company.

30th March 1848 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3099 oz of fine silver at 5/31/2 an oz, they paid the company £819 18s 0d.

6th April 1848 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Tudor & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £18 10s fother.

27th April 1848 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3149 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £838 1s 10d.

18th May 1848 LLC 26

Shipped 300 tons of common lead to St Petersburg.

25th May 1848 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4085 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £1089 6s 8d.

22nd June 1848 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3475 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £926 13s 4d.

Ordered that 200 bibles be provided and forwarded to Mr. Bainbridge for distribution in the schools in the North.

20th July 1848 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3418 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £911 9s 4d.

17th August 1848 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2058 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £552 0s 3d.

14th September 1848 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2547 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £688 3s 7d.

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £17 fother.

Sold Locke & Blakett 2000 pieces of slag lead at £15 fother.

28th September 1848 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next, and the income tax be not deducted from the dividend warrants but paid by the Company.

12th October 1848 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2854 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £765 10s 6d.

9th November 1848 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2676 oz of fine silver at 5/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £714 19s 10d.

Sold John Locke & Co 1000 pieces of refined lead at £17 fother.

16th November 1848 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Champion Hankey & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £17 fother.

30th November 1848 LLC 26

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £17 fother.

7th December 1848 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2498 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £666 2s 8d.

1st January 1849 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The ballot was taken in open Court Mr Frederic Mildred having been appointed scrutineer. At One o'clock the ballot was closed and the glass containing the notes was sealed, their not being a sufficient number of the members of the Court present to constitute a Court of Assistants.

The examination therefore adjourned to Thursday at 11 o'clock.

4th January 1849 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2648 oz of fine silver at 5/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £707 10s 3d.

18th January 1849 LLC 26

Sold John Locke & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £16 10s fother, and 2000 pieces of common lead at £15 10s fother.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 3000 pieces of common lead at £15 10s fother.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £16 10s fother.

1st February 1849 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3788 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £1014 1s 7d.

8th February 1849 LLC 26

Sold Joshua Byers 2000 pieces of common lead at £15 10s fother.

22nd February 1849 LLC 26

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of common lead at £16 fother.

The Company's seal was affixed to a Deed of surrender to the Duke of Cleveland of certain lead mines and premises within the Manor of Middleton in Teesdale in the County of Durham.

1st March 1849 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3432 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £918 15s 6d.

8th March 1849 LLC 26

Sold John Locke & Co 500 pieces of slag lead at £15 fother.

22nd March 1849 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Ladyday next, without any deduction for income tax, but they regret having to announce that during the past year the result of the Company's mining operations have not been successful, although, upon taking the whole subject into their consideration the Court do not think it would be advisable to stop the payment of a dividend.

Mr Frederick Mildred the scrutineer appointed by the election held 1st January 1849 having examined the votes in an open Court of Assistants on the 4th of that month delivered the following report in writing.

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr John Garrett Cattley

Mr William Gladstone

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Richard Sanderson

Mr John Dimsdale

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Thomas H A Poynder

Mr Henry Tritton

22nd March 1849 LLC 26

The expenditure for the year considerably exceeds the income and the Court having been unwilling at once to stop payment of the usual dividend, it has become absolutely necessary to effect every practicable reduction in the expenditure of the Company.

Resolved that the Governor, Deputy Governor and Court of Assistants to do for the present receive only one moiety of the money allotted to them for their attendance on Court committees.

29th March 1849 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 5363 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £1441 6s 1d.

Sold Joshua Byers 2000 pieces of common lead at £16 fother.

The Company's seal was affixed to the counterpart of three leases from the Duke of Cleveland in the Township of Middleton, Newbiggin, and Ashgillhead.

26th April 1849 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4306 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £1154 19s 10d.

Mr Bainbridge attended the Court this day (as well as on the two proceeding days) and explained in detail the present position of the Company's works in the North, which he considers to be in the most encouraging state as to the future prospects of the concern.

The Court impressed upon their Superintendent the absolute necessity of the strictest economy in every department as one great means of sending the concern profitable, as he must be aware that unless that object can be obtained, there will be no alternative but to close the establishments.

The Court likewise entertain a strong opinion to its being advisable to relinquish the present unprofitable workings of the Company, but as this may require first their minute investigation, they will defer any definite decision on this point until after the visit of the next deputation to the North.

24th May 1849 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4298 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £1152 16s 11d.

21st June 1849 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3199 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £853 1s 6d.

Sold Messrs Tudor & Co 20000 pieces of refined lead at £17 fother.

28th June 1849 LLC 26

Sold J F Christy 2 1/2 tons of litharge at £17 ton.

19th July 1849 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2820 oz of fine silver at 5/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £753 9s 4d.

9th August 1849 LLC 26

Gave a donation of £5 to the erection of an organ at Egglesstone church.

16th August 1849 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2816 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £755 6s 8d.

Sold Joseph Bonar & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £17 fother.

23rd August 1849 LLC 26

A donation of £20 was presented to the Rev. Blyth Hirst of Nenthead.

The Court having reviewed the consideration of the letter of the Rev. Brown respecting the regulations of the Company's schools in the North.

Resolved that in future no child whose parents are members of the church of England shall be compelled to attend the Company's Sunday school provided a certificate be produced from the clergyman of the parish that such child shall have regularly attended some other school on that day and likewise produce the customary vouchers as now required for having attended the church service.

The Court likewise having found that there is no rule as to the class of Books to be used in their schools be confined to those on the list of "The Society for promoting Christian knowledge" with such others as may from time to time be recommended by their Superintendent and receive the sanction of the Court.

The Court regret to find that a departure from the fundamental rule of the schools was sanctioned in the appointment of Mr. John Hyslop in 1835 (who is a member of the Scotch church) without the same having been placed on record, and also that the appointment of Mr. John Hyslop junior at Nenthead appears to have been made under the impression that such rule was repealed.

Resolved that in consideration of the length of service and exemplary conduct of Mr. Hyslop at Middleton and the great promise of efficiency and the part of Mr. Hyslop junior at Nenthead, they be continued in their respective appointments as school masters, but the Court cannot admit that such appointments shall be deemed precedents upon any future occasion the original rule being considered still in force.

30th August 1849 LLC 26

A donation of £25 was presented for the rebuilding of the chapel and repairing of the schoolroom at Harewood Forest.

A donation of £30 was given to the fund for building a girls school in Garrigill and also that a site for the same be given on the piece of ground as pointed out by Mr. Bainbridge on the terms named in the Courts letter of this day.

13th September 1849 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3863 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £1034 3s 2d.

Sold James & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £16 10s fother.

List of books used in the week day school.

Series of School books by Rev. McCulloch

First reading book

Second reading book

Third reading book

Series of lessons course of elementary Reading in Science and literature and a manual of English pronunciation and spelling.

Outlines of English Grammar

English grammar by Mr. Lennie

First book of Arithmetic for the use of schools

Ingram's principles of Arithmetic

History of Great Britain and Ireland by H. White

Outline of Geography

Maps: - Map of the World, Europe, Asia, Africa, America, Palestine and the Ancient World, Animal Kingdom in one view two plates

Books used in the Sabbath school

Watts Historical Catechism

Preservative from the Sins and Follies of childhood and youth

Divine and moral songs

Abridged Bible and Catechism by Mr. Lloyd

List of scriptural lessons for Sunday schools

Ten Commandments illustrated texts from scriptures

Help to the reading of the Bible

Book of proverbs explained and illustrated

Practical sermons

20th September 1849 LLC 26

A donation of £5 was given in aid of the subscription towards improving the supply of water at Dufton.

27th September 1849 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs and they are of opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the present half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

11th October 1849 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 5097 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £1356 10s 10d.

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £16 10s fother.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 1000 pieces of refined lead at £16 10s fother.

25th October 1849 LLC 26

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £16 10s fother.

1st November 1849 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Champion Hankey & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £17 fother.

8th November 1849 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2779 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £741 1s 4d.

14th November 1849 LLC 26

Sold J F Christy 5 casks of litharge at £17 ton.

29th November 1849 LLC 26

Sold Walker Parker & Co 20000 pieces of common lead at £16 fother and 1000 pieces of common lead at £16 10s fother.

6th December 1849 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3184 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £849 1s 4d.

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £17 10s fother.

Resolved that at the recommendation of the Superintendent that the salary of John Hutchinson clerk at Nenthead and that of William Dalton clerk at Nenthead Mill be each raised £10 per annum from Michaelmas last till the same amounts to £100.

31st December 1849 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay

Mr William Gladstone

Mr James Horne

Mr Thomas H A Poynder

Mr Henry Tritton

Mr John Garrett Cattley

Mr Richard Peckover Harris

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Richard Sanderson

Mr Simeon Warner

3rd January 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3068 oz of fine silver at 5/4 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £819 14s 7d.

17th January 1850 LLC 26

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £17 10s fother, and 5000 common at £16 10s fother.

24th January 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Massy & Son 3600 pieces of common lead at £17 fother.

31st January 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2904 oz of fine silver at 5/4 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £775 18s 3d.

The Court having taken into consideration Mr Stagg's letter of the 18th inst.

Resolved that Mr. Stagg's salary as cashier be £500 per annum from Ladyday next and that in the event of his retirement from his present appointment, an allowance of the same amount be continued to him for his life in consideration of his past valuable services to the Company.

Resolved that the salary of Mr. R W Bainbridge as Superintendent be one thousand pounds per annum from Lad day next.

7th February 1850 LLC 26

Sold Joshua Byers 2000 pieces of common lead at £17 fother.

14th February 1850 LLC 26

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £17 10s.

Sold Thompson Bonar & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £17 10s fother.

The Company's seal was affixed to two leases and their counterparts from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital of certain lead mines at Nenthead and Garrigill, both in the Manor of Alston Moor.

28th February 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3591 oz of fine silver at 5/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £959 9s 4d.

Sold Messrs S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £19 fother.

7th March 1850 LLC 26

Sold Joshua Byers 2000 pieces of common lead at £18 fother.

14th March 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Cox Brothers 2000 pieces of refined lead at £18 10s fother, 2000 pieces of common lead at £18 fother, and 500 pieces of slag lead at £17 fother.

21st March 1850 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Governor informed the Court that the Court of Assistants had taken into consideration the State of the Company's Affairs, and especially the improved prospects of their mining operations, and also the advance which has recently taken place in the market value of lead do recommend as their opinion that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made for the half year ending Ladyday next, although the profits for the last year would not warrant so large a dividend, and also that the income tax be not deducted from the dividend.

28th March 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 5194 oz of fine silver at 5/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £1387 15s 5d.

18th April 1850 LLC 26

Ten pounds was presented to the Rev. Blyth Hirst in approbation of his valuable services while resident at Nenthead.

25th April 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4802 oz of fine silver at 5/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £1282 15s 4d.

23rd May 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2842 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £759 6s 11d.

20th June 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 5749 oz of fine silver at 5/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £1536 1s 2d.

10th July 1850 LLC 26

Mr. Stagg (in consequence of continued indisposition) tendered his resignation as Cashier. Resolved that the same be accepted from the expiration of the current quarter the 31st inst. upon the conditions named in the resolution of the Court of 31 January 1850.

Resolved that Mr R W Bainbridge be appointed Cashier in addition to his present appointment of General Superintendent, and that in consideration of his long and faithful service, the security hitherto given by the cashier be dispensed with upon the present occasion.

18th July 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 1913 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £512 2s 6d.

22nd July 1852 LLC 27

The attention of the Court was directed to the Check that has occurred at Little Eggeshope mine.

13th August 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3849 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £1032 8s 6d.

12th September 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4044 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £1086 16s 6d.

26th September 1850 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

10th October 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 5365 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £1444 12s 0d.

7th November 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2316 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £626 0s 10d.

Sold John Locke & Co 1000 pieces of refined lead at £17 5s fother.

14th November 1850 LLC 26

Sold Walker Parker & Co 6000 pieces of Nenthead refined lead at £16 ton, 17000 pieces of common at £16 ton, and 2000 pieces of slag lead at £16 ton.

Sold 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £17 5s ton.

21st November 1850 LLC 26

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £16 5s ton.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 2000 pieces of common lead at £16 5s ton.

5th December 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3948 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1085 14s 0d.

12th December 1850 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Cox Brothers 2000 pieces of refined lead at £17 ton.

19th December 1850 LLC 26

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £17 10s ton, and 1000 pieces of Nenthead refined lead at £17 ton.

30th December 1850 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay

Mr John Garrett Cattley

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Henry Tritton

Mr Isaac Braithwaite junr

Mr John Dimsdale

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Thomas H A Poynder

Mr Simeon Warner

2nd January 1851 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4380 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £1206 15s 8d.

Sold John Locke & Co 1000 pieces of Nenthead refined lead at £17 ton, 1000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £17 10s ton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £16 10s ton.

9th January 1851 LLC 26

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £17 ton.

16th January 1851 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Tudor & Co 1000 pieces of Stanhope refined lead at £17 10s ton, and 1500 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £18 ton.

30th January 1851 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4258 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £1173 3s 4d.

20th February 1851 LLC 26

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 1000 pieces of Stanhope refined lead at £17 10s ton.

27th February 1851 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4463 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £1229 13s 0d. Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £18 ton.

20th March 1851 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Ladyday next, without any deduction for income tax, and adverting to the communications which were made to this Court at the corresponding meeting the two previous years, your Court of Assistants have the satisfaction to state that the anticipated improvement in the prospects of the concern which encouraged them to recommend a continuance of dividends on those occasions has been realised.

27th March 1851 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 5735 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1577 2s 6d.

17th April 1851 LLC 26

Messrs Thompson Bonar & Co sent to the Court a draft for £4627 1s 4d being the net proceeds of a shipment of 4000 pieces of lead to St Petersburg in August 1849.

24th April 1851 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 5557 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1528 3s 6d.

22nd May 1851 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 5052 oz of fine silver at 5/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £1381 8s 1d.

19th June 1851 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 5051 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £1375 17s 6d.

17th July 1851 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3663 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £995 17s 6d.

31st July 1851 LLC 26

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £17 10s ton.
Sold Messrs Tudor & o 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £17 10s ton.

14th August 1851 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4212 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £1147 6s 7d.

11th September 1851 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4086 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £1108 15s 0d.

25th September 1851 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Ladyday next, without any deduction for income tax.

9th October 1851 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 5772 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £1557 4s 9d.

6th November 1851 LLC 26

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3180 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £859 11s 10d.

20th November 1851 LLC 26

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £17 ton.
Sold James & Co 3000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £17 ton.

4th December 1851 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 4009 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £1089 18s 11d.

29th December 1851 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay
Mr William Gladstone
Mr Daniel Mildred
Mr Thomas H A Poynder
Mr Henry Tritton

Mr John Garrett Cattley
Mr George Grenfell Glyn
Mr Charles Mills
Mr Richard Sanderson
Mr Simeon Warner

1st January 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 5438 oz of fine silver at 5/5 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £1478 9s 1d.

8th January 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Tudor & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £17 ton.

22nd January 1852 LLC 27

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £17 10s ton.

29th January 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3080 oz of fine silver at 5/5 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £837 7s 6d.

26th February 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3777 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £1022 8s 9d.

4th March 1852 LLC 27

Sold Thomson Bonar & Co 300 tons of common Newcastle lead at £15 5s ton with the condition that they may **have** 200 tons on similar terms if claiming before 1st June.

11th March 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Cotton & Trueman 300 tons of common lead at £15 10s ton.
Sold Walker Parker & co 1500 tons of Stockton refined lead at £16 5s ton, 800 tons Newcastle refined lead at £15 10s ton, and 1600 tons of common lead at £15 5s ton.

25th March 1852 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Ladyday, without any deduction for income tax.

25th March 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 2369 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £640 7s 5d.

22nd April 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 7234 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £1944 2s 9d.

6th May 1852 LLC 27

Sold Cotton & Trueman 200 tons of common lead at £16 ton.

13th May 1852 LLC 27

Sold Cole Brothers 200 tons of common lead at £16 ton.

20th May 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 3966 oz of fine silver at 5/43/8 an oz, they paid the company £1063 15s 10d. Sold Thomson Bonar & Co 200 tons of common lead at £15 5s ton.

10th June 1852 LLC 27

Sold James & Co 5000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £17 5s ton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £16 10s ton.

17th June 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 5072 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £1363 2s 0d.

1st July 1852 LLC 27

Sold Walker Parker & Co 1000 pieces of common lead at £16 15s ton, and 1000 pieces of common lead at £17 ton. Sold Joshua Byers 3000 pieces of common lead at £16 15s ton.

8th July 1852 LLC 27

Sold Walker Parker & Co 12000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £17 5s ton and 5000 pieces of common lead at £16 15s ton.

Sold Thomas Grace & Co 3000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £17 10s ton.

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of Teesdale lead at £18 ton.

15th July 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Furber 7011 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £1891 10s 2d.

12th August 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3624 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £979 12s 3d.

9th September 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3849 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £1040 8s 8d.

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £18 ton.

23rd September 1852 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

7th October 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5472 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £1487 14s 0d.

14th October 1852 LLC 27

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 4000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £18 ton.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £17 5s ton.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 8000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £18 ton.

Sold John Locke & Co 6000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £18 ton.

28th October 1852 LLC 27

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £18 10s ton and 2000 pieces of common lead at £17 10s ton.

Sold John Locke & Co 3000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £18 10s ton.

Sold S & W Tudor & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £18 10s ton.
Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces common lead at £18 ton.
Sold S & W Tudor & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £19 ton.

4th November 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3057 oz of fine silver at 5/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £835 17s 11d.

25th November 1852 LLC 27

The Company's Corporate seal was affixed to a deed of conveyance to Mr. Tinniswood Millican of Hudsons Allotment at Nenthead in exchange for a piece of Meadowland below Rampgill waste heap as agreed by the deputation of 1851.

2nd December 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4634 oz of fine silver at 5/67/8 an oz, they paid the company £1276 15s 3.

9th December 1852 LLC 27

Sold Walker Parker & co 5000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £20 10s ton, and 5000 pieces of common lead at £19 10s ton.

16th December 1852 LLC 27

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2277 pieces of slag lead at £18 ton.

23rd December 1852 LLC 27

Sold Walker Parker & Co 400 pieces of slag lead at £18 ton.

30th December 1852 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3677 oz of fine silver at 5/57/8 an oz, they paid the company £1009 5s 2d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £22 ton, and 5000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton.

Sold James & Co 3000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £22 ton.

3rd January 1853 LLC 39

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor
Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay	Mr Isaac Braithwaite
Mr William Gladstone	Mr George Grenfell Glyn
Mr James Horne	Mr Daniel Mildred
Mr Charles Mills	Mr Richard Sanderson
Mr Henry Tritton	Mr Simeon Warner

13th January 1853 LLC 27

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale lead at £24 ton.

Sold Locke & Blackett 3000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £24 ton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £23 ton.

27th January 1853 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5241 oz of fine silver at 5/57/8 an oz, they paid the company £1438 10s 10d. Sold S & W Tudor 3000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £25 ton

3rd February 1853 LLC 27

Sold Walker Parker & Co 3000 pieces of common lead at £24 ton.

17th February 1853 LLC 27

Sold James & Co 1500 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £25 ton, and 1500 pieces of common lead at £24 ton.

24th February 1853 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3544 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £970 18s 2d.

3rd March 1853 LLC 27

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £25 ton.

24th March 1853 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Ladyday next, without any deduction for income tax.

25th March 1853 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5755 oz of fine silver at 5/57/8 an oz, they paid the company £1579 12s 6d.

21st April 1853 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4533 oz of fine silver at 5/57/8 an oz, they paid the company £1244 4s 3d.

28th April 1853 LLC 27

Mr. Bainbridge attended the Court to confer with the Board on the application from the authorities of Greenwich Hospital, that the Company would undertake the Trial of the deep beds of the submerged strata in Alston Moor.

19th May 1853 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5885 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £1606 2s 3d.

16th June 1853 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3976 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £1085 2s 4d.

14th July 1853 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 2932 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £806 6s 0d.

28th July 1853 LLC 27

Sold Thomson & Bonar 4000 pieces of common lead to be accounted for by them.

11th August 1853 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3932 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £1083 6s 11d.

8th September 1853 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 2888 oz of fine silver at 5/65/8 an oz, they paid the company £801 14s 5d.

15th September 1853 LLC 27

Sold Thomson & Bonar 2000 pieces of common lead to be accounted for by them (reduced by 500 pieces see 22nd Sept).

Sold John Locke & Co 5000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £22 ton.

22nd September 1853 LLC 27

Sold Thomson Bonar 2000 pieces of common lead to be accounted for by them. (*This order was cancelled on the 27th October as they could not get transport to St Petersburg, tension was building between Russia & Britain which led to the war in the Crimea; on the 4th October Turkey declared war on Russia. On the 12th March 1854 Great Britain & France allied themselves with Turkey*).

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead and 5000 pieces of common lead both at £21 ton.

Sold John Locke & Co 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 ton.

29th September 1853 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas, without any deduction for income tax.

29th September 1853 LLC 27

Sold James & Co 3000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £22 ton.

Sold Joshua Byers 1000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £22 ton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton.

Sold Thomas Grace 1500 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £22 10s ton, and 1500 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £21 10s ton.

6th October 1853 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4265 oz of fine silver at 5/6 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £1177 6s 4d.

27th October 1853 LLC 27

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

Sold John Locke & Co 1000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £22 ton, and 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton.

3rd November 1853 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4449 oz of fine silver at 5/6 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £1228 2s 2d.

17th November 1853 LLC 27

Sold John Locke 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton, and 1000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £23 ton.

24th November 1853 LLC 27

Sold John Locke & Co 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton, and 1000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £23 ton.

1st December 1853 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 2541 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £708 0s 8d.

15th December 1853 LLC 27

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton.

22nd December 1853 LLC 27

Sold John Locke & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton.

29th December 1853 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3349 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £922 14s 5d.

2nd January 1854 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay

Mr John Garrett Cattley

Mr George Grenfell Glyn

Mr Charles Mills

Mr Richard Sanderson

Mr Isaac Braithwaite

Mr William Gladstone

Mr James Horne

Mr Thomas H A Poynder

Mr Simeon Warner

5th January 1854 LLC 27

Sold Messrs S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 ton.

12th January 1854 LLC 27

Mr. Bainbridge transmitted to the Court a memorial he had received from the workmen in the Company's employment setting forth the sufferings and privations which they are at present called upon to endure, in consequence of the high price of the necessaries of life and asking for assistance to meet the same.

Ordered that the said memorial be taken into consideration on Thursday next.

19th January 1854 LLC 27

The memorial from the Company's workmen having been taken into consideration.

Resolved that a gratuity be given them as directed in a letter to Mr. Bainbridge.

26th January 1854 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4712 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1295 16s 0d.

9th February 1854 LLC 27

Received £3000 from Messrs Thomson Bonar & Co on account of lead sent to St Petersburg.

23rd February 1854 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3241 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £892 19s 3d.

2nd March 1854 LLC 27

Received £563 12s 8d from Messrs Thomson Bonar & Co on account of lead sent to St Petersburg. Sold Locke & Lancaster 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 ton.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £23 ton.

Sold Joshua Byers 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 10s ton.

9th March 1854 LLC 27

Resolved that the resolution of the 22 March 1849 respecting the allowance made to the Court of Assistants for their attendances at the several Courts, Committees etc. be rescinded.

16th March 1854 LLC 27

Sold Locke & Lancaster 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £25 ton.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £25 ton.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 3000 pieces of common lead at £24 ton.

23rd March 1854 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Ladyday next, without any deduction for income tax.

And that an extra dividend of fifteen shillings per share for the year be made to the proprietors without deduction for income tax.

23rd March 1854 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3731 oz of fine silver at 5/63/8 an oz, they paid the company £1031 17s 1d.

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of Stanhope refined lead at £25 10s ton, and 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £25 10s ton.

20th April 1854 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3435 oz of fine silver at 5/63/8 an oz, they paid the company £949 19s 10d.

18th May 1854 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4056 oz of fine silver at 5/61/4 an oz, they paid the company £1119 12s 9d.

15th June 1854 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3708 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1015 16s 9d.

22nd June 1854 LLC 27

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 ton.

13th July 1854 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3549 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £975 19s 6d.

22nd July 1854 LLC 27

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 10000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton, 1500 pieces of Stanhope refined lead at £21 10s ton, and 8500 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 ton.

10th August 1854 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4429 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1213 7s 2d.

Sold James & Co 1500 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 ton, and 1500 pieces of common lead at £21 ton.

31st August 1854 LLC 27

Sold Locke & Blackett 10000 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 4000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £22 10s ton.
The Company's seal was affixed to the counterpart of a lease of Gaunless Mill in the Township of Langleydale in the County of Durham, and likewise to the counterpart of a lease of mineral ground in the Township of Newbiggin and Middleton called Reveling.

7th September 1854 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3754 oz of fine silver at 5/57/8 an oz, they paid the company £1027 18s 6d.

14th September 1854 LLC 27

Resolved that the Superintendent be authorised to prosecute the further trials of the Westmoreland district by the employment of such number of men (not exceeding twenty in addition to those now engaged on Dead work) in the opening out of such new workings as he may deem most advisable; but only in undertakings which can be brought to an issue within a period not exceeding five years.

Resolved that an allowance of £120 be granted to Mr. Mark Armstrong late mining agent during the pleasure of the Court.

Resolved that the miners wages be fixed on the basis of allowing them to earn 15s per week with fair skill and assiduity and that the Superintendent be authorised to advance the wages of the workmen paid by the week and of Smelters as he may deem necessary not exceeding one shilling per week each.

Resolved that the monthly advance of cash to the miners be increased from 40s to 44s after the 31 October next.

28th September 1854 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

5th October 1854 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4984 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1365 8s 2d.

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £23 ton.

12th October 1854 LLC 27

Sold Locke & Lancaster 5000 pieces of common lead at £22 ton.

19th October 1854 LLC 27

Sold Locke & Lancaster 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £23 ton.

26th October 1854 LLC 27

Sold Locke & Lancaster 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £23 ton.

2nd November 1854 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4267 oz of fine silver at 5/57/8 an oz, they paid the company £1171 4s 1d.

30th November 1854 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3134 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £861 17s 0d.

28th December 1854 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3944 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £1086 13s 1d.

1st January 1855 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Isaac Braithwaite

Mr William Gladstone

Mr James Horne

Mr Charles Henry Mills

Mr Richard Sanderson

Mr John Garrett Cattley

Mr George Grenfell Glyn

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Thomas H A Poynder

Mr Henry Tritton

4th January 1855 LLC 27

Sold Locke & Lancaster 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 ton.

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 ton.

11th January 1855 LLC 27

Sold Champion & Co 3000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £23 ton.

25th January 1855 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3931 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1081 0s 6d.

22nd February 1855 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3147 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £865 8s 6d.

15th March 1855 LLC 27

Sold Locke & Lancaster 7000 pieces of Teesdale lead at £22 ton.

22nd March 1855 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4715 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1296 12s 6d.

29th March 1855 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Ladyday last, without any deduction for income tax. And that an extra dividend of forty shillings per share for the year be made to the proprietors without any deduction for income tax.

29th March 1855 LLC 27

The sum of £500 was presented to Mr Bainbridge, the Superintendent in the North as a mark of approval of his conduct, in the management of the Company's affairs.

29th March 1855 LLC 39

A dividend of 10s a share for the half-year and likewise an extra dividend of 40s per share for the year be made.

5th April 1855 LLC 27

Sold Locke & Lancaster 5000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £21 10s ton.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 5000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £22 ton, and 2000 pieces of Stanhope refined at £21 ton.

12th April 1855 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3325 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £905 14s 3d.

Sold James & Co 3000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £21 ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 2500 pieces of Nenthead refined lead at £21 ton.

17th May 1855 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3796 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1039 18s 11d.

The Company's seal was affixed to a Deed of Conveyance of a piece of ground (part of a close called Gateshead) situate near Middleton Teesdale, in the County of Durham to John Todd.

14th June 1855 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4289 oz of fine silver at 5/57/8 an oz, they paid the company £1177 4s 9d.

The Governor informed the Court that himself accompanied by the Deputy Governor and Mr. Poynder had by appointment an interview with Mr. Baines the Chief Commissioner of Poor Laws at Gwydyr House on Sunday last on the subject of the Bill now before Parliament for "Rating of Mines" to parochial assessments. Mr. Baines informed the deputation from the Court that he had directions upon the subject from the Ministers, that the Bill upon the report of a Committee of the House of Lords 1850 recommending the measure and that he individually approved it.

The reasons against the Bill as drawn up by Mr. Bainbridge our Superintendent were submitted to him of which he requested to retain the copy saying they were very ably and fairly stated and that they should have his best attention and consideration.

28th June 1855 LLC 27

The Governor informed the Court that the "Rating of Mines Bill 1855" had yesterday been withdrawn in the House of Commons.

12th July 1855 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4076 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1120 18s 0d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 ton, and 3000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £21 10s ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 5000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton, 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 ton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton.

19th July 1855 LLC 27

Sold James & Co 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton.

26th July 1855 LLC 27

The Governor informed the Court that a Bill had been recently introduced into the House of Commons entitled "Nuisances Removal Amendment Bill" by the terms of which very serious injury might have been caused to all Mining interests, but after much opposition, the proviso following had on the third reading been added to the Bill.

"The provisions of this act shall not extend to mines of different descriptions so as to interfere with or obstruct the efficient working of the same or to the Smelting of Ore or minerals or to the manufacturing of the produce of such ores or minerals."

9th August 1855 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4520 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £1245 7s 1d.

23rd August 1855 LLC 27

Sold James & Co 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton, and 2000 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton.

6th September 1855 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3644 oz of fine silver at 5/6 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £1005 17s 11d. Sold James & Co 3000 pieces of common lead at £22 ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 ton.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton.

27th September 1855 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

4th October 1855 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5255 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1445 2s 6d.

11th October 1855 LLC 28

Sold Locke & Lancaster 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £21 ton.

1st November 1855 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 6101 oz of fine silver at 5/5 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £1665 1s 3d.

29th November 1855 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4128 oz of fine silver at 5/5 7/8 an oz, they paid the company £1133 1s 0d.

27th December 1855 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4191 oz of fine silver at 5/5 7/8 an oz, they paid the company £1150 6s 10d.

31st December 1855 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay

Mr John Garrett Cattley

Mr George Grenfell Glyn

Mr Thomas H A Poynder

Mr Henry Tritton

Mr Isaac Braithwaite

Mr William Gladstone

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Richard Sanderson

Mr Simeon Warner

3rd January 1856 LLC 28

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 6000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 ton, and 5000 pieces of common lead at £23 10s ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 10s ton, and 5000 pieces of common lead at £23 10s ton.

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 10s ton, and 2000 pieces of common lead at £23 10s ton.

10th January 1856 LLC 28

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 10s ton, and 5000 pieces of common lead at £23 10s ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 10s ton, and 2000 pieces of common lead at £23 10s ton.

24th January 1856 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4653 oz of fine silver at 5/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £1272 6s 1d.

14th February 1856 LLC 28

Sold Kebbal Shepherd & Co 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £26 ton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £25 ton.

21st February 1856 LLC 27

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4390 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1202 13s 7d.

20th March 1856 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4446 oz of fine silver at 5/57/8 an oz, they paid the company £1211 1s 5d.

27th March 1856 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Ladyday last, without any deduction for income tax. And that an extra dividend of forty shillings per share for the year be made to the proprietors without any deduction for income tax.

3rd April 1856 LLC 28

Resolved that Mr. Charles Deane (after a service of 38 years) be permitted to retire from the office of Secretary and that he be allowed £300 a year from Ladyday last during the pleasure of the court.

Resolved that Mr. Thomas Elliot be appointed to the joint office of secretary and accountant for the residue of the year from Lady day to Xmas next at a salary of £300 per annum and that he be allowed in addition the sum of £50 per annum for coal and candles and for the maintenance of a second female servant in the house.

17th April 1856 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5030 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £1372 15s 5d.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 3000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £26 ton.

24th April 1856 LLC 28

Contributed £25 towards the purchase of an organ for Middleton church.

8th May 1856 LLC 28

Resolved that an allowance of £25 per annum be made from Midsummer next towards providing a stipend for the Curate of Garrigill upon condition that the stipend be made up from other sources to not less in the whole the £80 per annum.

15th May 1856 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5456 oz of fine silver at 5/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £1491 17s 6d.

Sold the Stanhope House Estate for £2,000 to Mr. Walton. Mr Bainbridge authorised to apply such £2,000 in payment of the Company's workpeople.

12th June 1856 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4972 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £1356 18s 10d.

10th July 1856 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5326 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1459 2s 0d.

31st July 1856 LLC 28

Sold Thomson Bonar & Co at St Petersburg 12000 pieces of refined lead. (The war in the Crimea had come to an end after the treaty of Paris signed 30th March 1856)

7th August 1856 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5229 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1432 10s 6d.

14th August 1856 LLC 28

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of Common lead at £23 ton.

25th August 1856 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Pontifex & Wood 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 ton.

4th September 1856 LLC 28

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £23 ton.

Mr. William Vipond Mine agent in Teesdale be allowed leave of absence till the 1st June next to enable him to spend the winter in a mild climate in the south in conformity with the recommendation of Dr. Burrows and Dr. Walsh for the benefit of his health and that the sum of fifty pounds be granted him towards his journey, medical and other expenses.

18th September 1856 LLC 28

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 ton.

Mr. Utrick Bainbridge Esq. be appointed as Company solicitor in the North in lieu of his late father Robert Bainbridge Esq. deceased.

25th September 1856 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

2nd October 1856 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4244 oz of fine silver at 5/65/8 an oz, they paid the company £1178 3s 0d.

9th October 1856 LLC 28

Sold James & Co 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 ton.

Mr James Slade who in the year 1811 became a bankrupt asked the court for their consent to join with the other creditors in giving him a release in respect of the annual sum of £150 the interest on the sum of £5000 Console 3 per cents settled on his wife and children.

Consent was given.

30th October 1856 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 6841 oz of fine silver at 5/61/2 an oz, they paid the company £1895 10s 6d.

27th November 1856 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 2577 oz of fine silver at 5/65/8 an oz, they paid the company £715 7s 8d.

4th December 1856 LLC 28

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 ton.

18th December 1856 LLC 28

Sold Locke & Lancaster 20000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

24th December 1856 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5937 oz of fine silver at 5/61/4 an oz, they paid the company £1638 17s 2d.

Sold Locke & Blackett 5000 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 ton.

The Company's Corporate seal was affixed to the counterpart of a lease of the Lord's Allotment Mining Plot, belonging the Duke of Cleveland.

29th December 1856 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay

Mr John Garrett Cattley

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Thomas H A Poynder

Mr Henry Tritton

Mr Isaac Braithwaite

Mr William Gladstone

Mr Charles Henry Mills

Mr Richard Sanderson

Mr Simeon Warner

1st January 1857 LLC 28

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 ton.

The Deed of Conveyance, dated the 9th December 1856 of a Messuage or Tenement Croft and Paddock in the Parish of Middleton in Teesdale in the County of Durham from the Rev J F Thrupp and others to the Lead Company was deposited with the other title deeds of the Middleton Estate at the lead office this day.

22nd January 1857 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3081 oz of fine silver at 5/61/2 an oz, they paid the company £853 13s 10d.

Sold Locke & Blackett 3000 pieces of common lead at £22 ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 4000 pieces of common lead at £22 ton.

29th January 1857 LLC 28

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 ton.

5th February 1857 LLC 28

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 2000 pieces of common lead at £22 ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 4000 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton.

12th February 1857 LLC 28

Sold Locke & Lancaster 3500 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton, and 2500 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton.

Sold Locke & Blackett 2500 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton, and 2500 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton.

19th February 1857 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5030 oz of fine silver at 5/63/8 an oz, they paid the company £1391 2s 2d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton, and 5000 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton.

Sold James & Co 4000 pieces of Stanhope refined lead at £23 10s ton, and 2000 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton.

5th March 1857 LLC 28

Resolved that an account be opened in the ledger under the title of 'Repairs and Improvements of House property in the North' and that the sum of £2,000 be transferred to the credit of that account for the year ending 31 October 1856 and that for the next three years the further sum of one thousand pounds for each subsequent year to meet the expenses of dilapidation etc. which have or may **occur** on such property.

12th March 1857 LLC 28

Resolved that the residue of the property at Stanhope consisting of the Butts house, cottages and gardens be valued at £500 and that the balance of Stanhope Estate account be then transferred to profit and loss.

19th March 1857 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5466 oz of fine silver at 5/61/4 an oz, they paid the company £1508 16s 11d.

Gave a donation of £100 for the erection of a Town Hall in the town of Alston.

26th March 1857 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Ladyday last, without any deduction for income tax. And that an extra dividend of forty shillings per share for the year be made to the proprietors without any deduction for income tax.

26th March 1857 LLC 28

Sold Locke & Blackett 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 ton.

Sold John Chalberton 100 pieces of Newcastle slag lead at £14 ton.

16th April 1857 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5108 oz of fine silver at 5/61/4 an oz, they paid the company £1410 0s 5d.

23rd April 1857 LLC 28

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £23 ton.

Sold Kebbal & Shepherd 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 ton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £23 ton.

30th April 1857 LLC 28

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 ton, and 2000 pieces of slag lead at £21 ton.

14th May 1857 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4336 oz of fine silver at 5/6 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £1196 18s 4d.

21st May 1857 LLC 28

Sold Locke & Lancaster 6000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £24 10s ton.

28th May 1857 LLC 28

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £25 ton.

4th June 1857 LLC 28

Sold James & Co 4000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £25 ton.

11th June 1857 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4567 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1255 18s 6d.

Mr. R W Bainbridge having been summoned to London by the Committee of the House of Commons on the "Rating of Mines Bill" to give evidence thereon, this day attended the Court.

25th June 1857 LLC 28

£500 was presented to Robert Walton Bainbridge by the Court for services to the Company.

2nd July 1857 LLC 28

Sold Locke & Lancaster 6000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £25 ton.

9th July 1857 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5275 oz of fine silver at 5/6 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £1453 7s 5d.

Sold Locke & Blackett 3000 pieces of Stockton refined at £25 ton.

6th August 1857 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4934 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1356 17s 0d.

13th August 1857 LLC 28

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £25 ton.

3rd September 1857 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4474 oz of fine silver at 5/6 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £1235 0s 2d.

Sold James & Co 40 pieces of slag lead at £21 ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 6000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £25 ton.

An increase in the salaries of Mines Overmen was approved.

The offer of the field about 2 acres opposite Middleton House belonging to Miss. Walton be accepted and that the Superintendent be authorised to purchase the same for the Company. The Superintendent be authorised to sell the small cottage with about 1/8 of an acre per plan (*at Cherry Tree Hill Nenthead*) for the sum offered namely £40.

24th September 1857 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

1st October 1857 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5922 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1628 11s 0d.

29th October 1857 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5753 oz of fine silver at 5/63/8 an oz, they paid the company £1591 1s 3d.

19th November 1857 LLC 28

£25 was subscribed towards the expense of altering the road at Balder Bank.
An additional contribution of £20 was granted to the curate of Nenthead.

26th November 1857 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3084 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £848 2s 0d.

17th December 1857 LLC 28

Messrs. Backhouse Bankers at Darlington and Barnard Castle were appointed Bankers in the North for the Company. (*Previously used Messrs Glyn & Co and the Northumberland Durham District Banking Co at Newcastle*)

24th December 1857 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5418 oz of fine silver at 5/67/8 an oz, they paid the company £1509 14s 1d.

4th January 1858 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay

Mr John Garrett Cattley

Mr Daniel Mildred

Mr Charles Henry Mills

Mr Henry Tritton

Mr Isaac Braithwaite

Mr John Davis

Mr George Grenfell Glyn

Mr Thomas H A Poynder

Mr Simeon Warner

14th January 1858 LLC 28

Sold Kebbal Shepherd 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 7000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 ton.

21st January 1858 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4992 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1372 16s 0d.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 ton, and 2000 pieces of common lead at £22 ton, also 100 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £23 ton.

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 ton, and 2000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £22 10s ton.

The Company seal was affixed to the deed of conveyance of a cottage etc. at Fair Hill near Nenthead to Mr. Hetherington Irwin.

28th January 1858 LLC 28

Sold James & Co 4000 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton.

11th February 1858 LLC 28

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton.

Sold Kebbal Shepherd 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 15 tons of common litharge at £22 10s ton.

18th February 1858 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4551 oz of fine silver at 5/6 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £1253 17s 11d.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 4000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton.

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton.

18th March 1858 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4451 oz of fine silver at 5/6 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £1226 6s 10d.

25th March 1858 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Ladyday next, without any deduction for income tax. And that an extra dividend of sixty shillings per share for the year be made without any deduction for income tax.

15th April 1858 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 6206 oz of fine silver at 5/5 3/4 an oz, they paid the company £1700 3s 8d.

13th May 1858 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4190 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1152 5s 0d.

A donation of £30 was made in aid of the funds of the Wesleyan Methodist chapel in Alston. The Court having taken into their consideration the amount of extra dividend they recommended to the proprietors upon the winding up of last years account are of opinion that their valuable Superintendent Mr R W Bainbridge should participate in some measure with the prosperity of the Company and therefore have agreed to present him with a gratuity of £500.

10th June 1858 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5439 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1495 14s 6d.

17th June 1858 LLC 28

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton.

8th July 1858 LLC 39

A Court for electing an Assistant of the Corporation of the Governor & Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal & Sea Coal for the remainder of the year in the room of Daniel Mildred Esq deceased.

Mr John William Birch was declared elected Assistant.

8th July 1858 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3612 oz of fine silver at 5/57/8 an oz, they paid the company £991 8s 4d.

15th July 1858 LLC 28

Sold James & Co 40 pieces of slag lead at £21 ton.

Resolved that the Governor (Mr Masterman) be requested to execute, as trustee the 2 conveyances of land at Gateshead, Middleton, from the Messrs Walton and Bainbridge, to Mr Masterman, and the declaration of trust acknowledging that he holds them in trust for this Company.

5th August 1858 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4804 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1316 1s 11d.

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 ton.

Sold Hubbard & Co 4000 pieces of Newcastle common lead at £21 ton.

12th August 1858 LLC 28

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 15tons of best litharge at £22 ton.

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 ton.

19th August 1858 LLC 28

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 ton.

Sold the Stockton & Middlesborough Water Co 2000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton.

26th August 1858 LLC 28

Shipped 3000 pieces of common lead to Thomson Bonar & Co at St Petersburg.

Resolved that an allowance of £80 per annum during the pleasure of the Court be made to Mr. John French late wood agent at Teesdale.

2nd September 1858 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 2786 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £757 8s 10d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 1000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £22 ton.

9th September 1858 LLC 28

Sold Hubbard & Co 2000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton.

The Court offered £1000 for two houses and about 6 acres of freehold land in the parish of Egglestone.

16th September 1858 LLC 28

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £21 10s ton, and 10000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 8000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £21 10s ton, and 2000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £21 10s ton, also 5000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton.

Sold Kebbal Shepherd 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 ton.

Sold S & W Tudor 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 ton.

23rd September 1858 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

30th September 1858 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4593 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £1251 2s 3d. Sold Locke & Lancaster 10 tons of best litharge at £22 ton.

14th October 1858 LLC 28

Sold James & Co 556 pieces of slag lead at £16 ton.

28th October 1858 LLC 28

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5213 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1626 1s 6d.

18th November 1858 LLC 28

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2400 pieces of Stockton slag lead at £16 ton.

25th November 1858 LLC 29

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3899 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £1074 5s 2d.

9th December 1858 LLC 29

Sold Locke & Lancaster 12000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £21 15s ton.

16th December 1858 LLC 29

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £21 15s ton, and 400 pieces of slag lead at £16 ton.

23rd December 1858 LLC 29

Sold William Robertson 3000 pieces of Stockton common lead at £20 15s ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 7000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £21 15s ton, and 10000 pieces of common lead at £20 15s ton.

Sold Locke & Blackett 5000 pieces of common lead at £20 15s ton.

Sold Pontifex & Wood 4000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £21 15s ton, and 4000 pieces of common lead at £20 15s ton.

30th December 1858 LLC 29

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 10 tons of best litharge at £22 ton and 20 tons of common litharge at £21 ton.

3rd January 1859 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John Masterman Governor

Mr Octavius Wigram Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay

Mr John William Birch

Mr William Gladstone

Mr Charles Henry Mills

Mr Henry Tritton

Mr Herbert Barnard

Mr John Davis

Mr George Grenfell Glyn

Mr Thomas H A Poynder

Mr Simeon Warner

6th January 1859 LLC 29

Sold Kebbal Shepherd 3000 pieces of common lead at £20 15s ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 2500 pieces of Stockton refined lead and 2500 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £22 ton, also 5000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 400 pieces of slag lead at £16 ton, and 20 tons of common litharge at £21 ton.

13th January 1859 LLC 29

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £22 10s ton, and 5000 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

20th January 1859 LLC 29

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 2992 oz of fine silver at 5/65/8 an oz, they paid the company £830 11s 10d.

27th January 1859 LLC 29

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 400 pieces of slag lead at £16 ton.

3rd February 1859 LLC 29

Sold Champion Hankey 2500 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton, and 2500 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

Sold John Keane 20 tons of common litharge at £21 10s ton.

17th February 1859 LLC 29

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 6034 oz of fine silver at 5/63/8 an oz, they paid the company £1668 15s 7d.

3rd March 1859 LLC 29

Sold Locke & Lancaster 2500 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton, and 2500 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

Read a letter from Mr. Bainbridge containing an offer of the Langdon plot of mineral ground in Teesdale the future consideration of which was postponed.

A draft of a lease was submitted to the Court for the whole of the Weardale mines from the Ecclesiastical Commission to Mr. Beaumont with the proposed assignment of the Bollyhope plot of ground from Mr. Beaumont to the Company.

10th March 1859 LLC 29

Sold Locke & Lancaster 1500 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton, and 1500 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

17th March 1859 LLC 29

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4028 oz of fine silver at 5/61/2 an oz, they paid the company £1116 1s 10d.

The Court declined to entertain the proposal for taking the Langdon plot of mineral ground at so high a rate of duty as is now required by the existing lease.

24th March 1859 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Ladyday next, without any deduction for income tax. And that an extra dividend of sixty shillings per share for the year be made without any deduction for income tax.

31st March 1859 LLC 29

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 4000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

Sold Grey & Marten 5 tons of best litharge at £22 10s ton, and 10 tons of common litharge at £21 10s ton.

14th April 1859 LLC 29

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5023 oz of fine silver at 5/63/4 an oz, they paid the company £1397 0s 5d.

Sold Kebbal Shepherd 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton.

21st April 1859 LLC 29

Sold Grey & Marten 10 tons of common litharge at £21 10s ton.

5th May 1859 LLC 29

The draft of the Bollyhope lease was approved and it was proposed that an assignment of the lease be prepared.

12th May 1859 LLC 29

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3546 oz of fine silver at 5/63/4 an oz, they paid the company £986 4s 7d.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 2500 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton, and 2500 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton.

The arrangements under which the Bollyhope Tract of mining land has been included in their lease from the Ecclesiastical Commission, to Wentworth Blackett Beaumont Esquire, and is intended to be assigned by him to the Company having been explained to the Court, and copies of the Draft of such lease as approved, by the solicitors and of the proposal assignment as prepared by them having been submitted to the Court, and two letters from the solicitors Messrs Clarke & Morice dated 11th May having been read.

Resolved that such assignments be adopted confirmed and that the solicitors be directed to proceed to carry out the same with liberty to agree to any modifications of the Draft assignment which may be required on the part of Mr Beaumont as seem reasonable.

9th June 1859 LLC 29

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5902 oz of fine silver at 5/65/8 an oz, they paid the company £1638 8s 4d.

7th July 1859 LLC 29

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 4001 oz of fine silver at 5/65/8 an oz, they paid the company £1110 13s 10d.

21st July 1859 LLC 29

Sold Messrs Robertson 3000 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton.

28th July 1859 LLC 29

The Court authorised the Superintendent to undertake the alterations of the road at Blackton Beck at a cost to the Company not exceeding £800.

4th August 1859 LLC 29

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5152 oz of fine silver at 5/7 an oz, they paid the company £1438 5s 4d.

11th August 1859 LLC 29

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton.

Sold S & W Tudor 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead £23 10s ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 8000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 600 pieces of slag lead at £16 ton.

1st September 1859 LLC 29

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 3162 oz of fine silver at 5/63/4 an oz, they paid the company £874 9s 10d.

22nd September 1859 LLC 29

The Court having regard to the satisfactory results of the business of the Company in the last year and to the indefatigable exertions of their Superintendent resolved that a gratuity of £500 be presented to him.

The Courts seal was attached to the deed of assignment from W. B. Beaumont Esq. & Co. of the Bollyhope tract.

A gratuity of £20 to be presented to each of the schoolmasters (Middleton and Nenthead) in testimony of the Courts satisfaction at the very interesting report on the efficient state of those schools as recently made by Mr. Foster Assistant Commissioner of Education.

Resolved that a piece of ground at the foot of Snaresgill Plantation not exceeding 500 square yards in extent be sold to William Bowren for the sum of £10 on condition that he builds a house thereon.

29th September 1859 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas, without any deduction for income tax.

29th September 1859 LLC 29

Sold Messrs Collins & Myhill 5156 oz of fine silver at 5/61/2 an oz, they paid the company £1428 12s 10d.

A donation of £100 was given to-wards the construction of a house for the Curate at Egglestone.

20th October 1859 LLC 29

Bought John Raines property on Hude Hill adjoining the Company's Middleton Estate for £280 exclusive of an entailed cottage.

27th October 1859 LLC 29

Sold Myhill & Son 6066 oz of fine silver at 5/61/2 an oz, they paid the company £1680 15s 9d.

3rd November 1859 LLC 29

Sold Locke & Lancaster 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 ton.

Donated £25 for the enlarging of the Wesleyan chapel at Egglestone.

24th November 1859 LLC 29

Sold Myhill & Son 3899 oz of fine silver at 5/63/4 an oz, they paid the company £1084 8s 2d.

1st December 1859 LLC 29

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £22 10s ton, and 10000 pieces of Stockton common lead at £21 10s ton.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 50 casks of best litharge at £22 10s ton, and 150 casks of common litharge at £21 10s ton.

Sold Locke & Blackett 100 casks of best litharge at £22 10s ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 50 casks of best litharge at £22 10s ton.

Sold Grey & Marten 20 casks of best litharge at £22 10s ton and 20 casks of common litharge at £21 10s ton.

8th December 1859 LLC 29

The Company seal was affixed to the deed of contract in respect of the incorporation into the Turnpike Trust of a portion of the Egglestone Township road in connection with the Egglestone smelt mill.

22nd December 1859 LLC 29

Sold Myhill & Son 5001 oz of fine silver at 5/63/4 an oz, they paid the company £1390 18s 0d.

29th December 1859 LLC 29

Accepted the offer of Walker Parker & Co to purchase all the slag lead made by the company during the next 12 months at £16 ton.

Donated £50 towards the expenses of forming a volunteer corps at Alston Moor and a further annual sum of £10 so long as the corps is kept in an efficient state in the view of the Superintendent.

2nd January 1860 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Octavius Wigram Governor

Mr John William Birch Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay

Mr Isaac Braithwaite

Mr John Davis

Mr George Grenfell Glyn

Mr Henry Tritton

Mr Herbert Barnard

Mr John Garrett Cattley

Mr William Gladstone

Mr Charles Henry Mills

Mr Simeon Warner

12th January 1860 LLC 29

Sold Locke & Lancaster 10000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 ton.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 ton.

19th January 1860 LLC 29

Sold Myhill & Son 3346 oz of fine silver at 5/67/8 an oz, they paid the company £932 6s 11d.

26th January 1860 LLC 29

Sold Pontifex & Wood 5000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £23 ton.

2nd February 1860 LLC 29

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton, and 10000 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton.

Donated £150 to the Teesdale Rifle Corps and an annual subscription of £20 provided the men contribute partly towards their own outfit say twenty shillings each and on the same terms as in Alston Moor.

9th February 1860 LLC 29

Sold A Leiemann 4000 pieces of Newcastle common lead at £22 ton.

16th February 1860 LLC 29

Sold Myhill & Son 5689 oz of fine silver at 5/63/4 an oz, they paid the company £1582 5s 1d.

1st March 1860 LLC 29

Donated £15 to the subscription for building a schoolhouse in the neighbourhood of Flat in the Chapelry of Garrigill.

15th March 1860 LLC 29

Sold Myhill & Son 4147 oz of fine silver at 5/67/8 an oz, they paid the company £1155 11s 4d. The sum of £1,200 be added to the valuation of the Middleton Estate being for the purchase of Mr. Thrupp of land and a tenement opposite Middleton House.

22nd March 1860 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

Mr Joseph Andrew, Mr William How Wigram, Mr William Henry Poynder, Mr Burwood Godlee, Mr John Hodgkin, Mr Jacob Hagen & Mr Thomas Greenwood attended the Court and qualified according to the Charter.

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Ladyday next, without any deduction for income tax. And that an extra dividend of forty shillings per share for the year be made without any deduction for income tax.

22nd March 1860 LLC 29

Mr R W Bainbridge recommended a site for a house and garden being sold to Robert Grieves at the Company's Hawkside Plantation at Middleton of one-twentieth part of a acre at 6d per yard.

22nd March 1860 LLC 39

A dividend of 10s per share for the half year, and likewise an extra dividend of 40s per share for the year be made.

29th March 1860 LLC 29

Gave a donation of £25 to the trustees of the Newbiggin Wesleyan chapel towards the repairs and enlargement thereof. And a donation of £50 to the township road between Coldberry mines and Middleton towards giving the same a sufficient cover of stone.

5th April 1860 LLC 29

Sold S & W Tudor 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 6000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton.

Donated £5 a year towards the salary of the Master at the Dufton school, as requested by Admiral Elliot, for as long as Sir Richard Tufton contribute the same and the Company continue the lease of the mining district.

12th April 1860 LLC 29

Sold Myhill & Son 4609 oz of fine silver at 5/61/2 an oz, they paid the company £1277 16s 0d.

Sold Kebbal Shepherd 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton.

Donated £5 to the Wesleyan Sunday school at Nentsbury near Nenthead.

26th April 1860 LLC 29

The Superintendent was authorised to make the alterations and rebuilding proposed in the cottages adjoining the Company's house at Middleton as per plan at an estimated cost of £1,050 and that £500 of such cost be carried to the debit of the reserve fund for the improvement and repair of cottages.

10th May 1860 LLC 29

Sold Myhill & Son 4121 oz of fine silver at 5/61/4 an oz, they paid the company £1137 11s 4d.

Resolved that the Capital of the Corporation be reduced by £40,000.

The sum of £4 3s 4d per share be returned to the respective shareholders.

18th May 1860 LLC 29

Sold S & W Tudor 100 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton.

Sold Kebbal Shepherd 100 tons of common litharge at £22 10s ton.
Sold Walker Parker & Co 25 tons of best litharge at £23 10s ton.

24th May 1860 LLC 29

The Court accepted Mr. Bainbridge's view that it would be unwise to suspend any of the operations now in progress but not to increase the number of pickmen in their employ.

The Court awarded Mr. Bainbridge with a gratuity of £500.

Mr. Bainbridge is authorised to make an exchange of property with Messrs. John and Thomas Raine of their entailed cottage on Hude Hill, Middleton with the wasteland and appertinents for an equivalent cottage and premises elsewhere as may be approved at a cost to the Company not exceeding £120.

Also that he may make a purchase (should opportunity occur) of the piece of land about 11 acres at Pye Close adjoining the Bollyhope tract for any sum not exceeding £500 for the use of that district.

7th June 1860 LLC 39

A General Court

The following resolution was proposed by the Governor and seconded by the Deputy Governor.

"That the sum of £40,000 part of the capital stock of the Corporation being at the rate of £4 3s 4d per share on the whole of the shares in the said Capital stock be withdrawn from and taken out of the said capital stock and apportioned between and among and paid to the several proprietors of shares in the said capital stock, in proportion to the number of shares now stand in their names respectively in the Books of this Corporation and that such payment be made on and after the 15th day of June 1860." (9600 shares)

Whereupon the following amendment was proposed by Burwood Godlee Esq and seconded by John Hodgkins Esq.

"That it is inexpedient to divide any portion of the surplus Capital of this Corporation at this time, or until a full investigation of the state of its affairs by a committee of not less than five shareholders, and that such committee be forthwith appointed and requested to report to a special General Court to be convened for that purpose."

Which being put to the meeting was negatived.

The original resolution was then passed in the affirmative.

7th June 1860 LLC 29

Sold Myhill & Son 4600 oz of fine silver at 5/63/8 an oz, they paid the company £1272 3s 9d.

5th July 1860 LLC 29

Sold Myhill & Son 3273 oz of fine silver at 5/63/8 an oz, they paid the company £905 3s 9d.

26th July 1860 LLC 29

Resolved that the sum of six thousand pounds be set apart by resolution of this Court on the 16th February **last** for the express purpose of providing for depreciation in value of these stocks, be transferred to the credit of the "stocks at the mines" and apportioned pro rata to the several districts in reduction of the valuation of 6/- per fathom hitherto placed upon part of the Malleable iron railways such valuation including the chairs Viz.
Stocks on 31 October 1859

In Teesdale	on	29,156	Fathoms	£2,900	3s	7d
In Weardale	on	1,150	Fathoms	£114	7s	10d
In Alston Moor	on	23,586	Fathoms	£2,346	2s	6d
In Westmoreland	on	<u>6,427</u>	Fathoms	<u>£639</u>	6s	<u>1d</u>
TOTAL		60,319	Fathoms	£6,000		

Resolved that the valuation of such Malleable Iron Rails (including chairs) be made on the 31 October next at four shillings per fathom.

That the expenditure under the head of 'New Works' brought into these accounts be divided over a period not exceeding ten years as heretofore.

2nd August 1860 LLC 29

Sold Myhill & Son 4871 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £1342 1s 3d.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 5000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton.

Sold Locke & Blackett 5000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton.

16th August 1860 LLC 29

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

30th August 1860 LLC 29

Sold Myhill & Son 4093 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, paid the company £1127 14s 1d.

13th September 1860 LLC 29

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 10s ton.

27th September 1860 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

27th September 1860 LLC 29

Sold Myhill & Son 4431 oz of fine silver at 5/61/4 an oz, they paid the company £1223 2s 10d.

4th October 1860 LLC 29

Resolved that a piece of ground be sold to Robert Greaves for a garden at Hawkside plantation of 1/20th part of an acre, on the same terms as his previous purchase, sanctioned by the Court the 22nd March last.

25th October 1860 LLC 29

Sold Myhill & Son 6679 oz of fine silver at 5/63/8 an oz, they paid the company £1847 3s 3d.

Sold Kebbal Shepherd 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 ton.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £23 ton.

8th November 1860 LLC 29

Resolved that the plans submitted to the Court prepared by Mr. Habershow architect for the building of new schoolhouses at Middleton and Nenthead (for containing about 300 children each) be approved and signed.

Resolved that in each of the said schoolhouses a marble tablet be fixed with the following inscription thereon.

Testimonial to Robert Stagg esquire.

For upwards of 25 years Superintendent of the lead Company's works. In recognition of his indefatigable labour's to promote the general interests of the Company and the welfare of the numerous body of workmen committed to his care, more especially for the invaluable service rendered by him in originating in the year 1818 the formation of the schools, to the use of which this building is dedicated.

Erected by order of the Governor and Court of Assistants pursuant to a resolution passed unanimously at a Court held in London on the 8th Nov. 1860.

22nd November 1860 LLC 29

Sold Myhill & Son 2838 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £780 9s 0d.

6th December 1860 LLC 30

Sold Brandram Brothers & Co 27 casks of common litharge at £22 ton.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 8000 pieces of refined lead at £22 10s ton, and 2000 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 6000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton, and 2000 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

13th December 1860 LLC 30

Sold Walker Parker & Co all the slag lead made for sale between 29th December next and 29th December 1861 at £16 10s ton.

Sold Bandram Brothers & Co 40 casks of best litharge at £22 10s ton.

20th December 1860 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 4977 oz of fine silver at 5/6 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £1371 5s 4d.

Gave a donation of £10 to the Wolsingham Volunteer Rifle Corp's.

31st December 1860 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Octavius Wigram Governor

Mr John William Birch Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay

Mr Herbert Barnard

Mr Isaac Braithwaite

Mr John Garrett Cattley

Mr John Davis

Mr William Gladstone

Mr George Grenfell Glyn

Mr Edward Masterman

Mr Charles Henry Mills

Mr Simeon Warner

17th January 1861 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 4094 oz of fine silver at 5/5 7/8 an oz, they paid the company £1123 14s 4d.

31st January 1861 LLC 30

John Dalton is appointed as the Company agent at Blaydon, Newcastle in the place of John Scott deceased.

7th February 1861 LLC 30

A donation of £10 given towards the erection of a new organ at Romaldkirk.

14th February 1861 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3655 oz of fine silver at 5/5 7/8 an oz, they paid the company £1003 4s 5d.

28th February 1861 LLC 30

Sold Walker Parker & Co 8000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton, and 2000 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton.

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton.

7th March 1861 LLC 30

The Governor reported the death on the 28th last of Mr. Thompson the Company's agent for Westmorland after an illness.

14th March 1861 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 5103 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £1387 7s 7d.

28th March 1861 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

Mr Edgar Blaker attended the Court and qualified according to the Charter.

The Governor informed the Court that the Court of Assistants recommended that a dividend of 10/- for the half year ending in Lady-day last without any deduction for Income Tax. Also that an extra dividend of fifty shillings per share for the year be made to the proprietors without any deduction for Income Tax.

The Governor then stated that the Court of Assistants was desirous to submit to the present Court some important circumstances which have occurred since the meeting in March last year having a special reference to the foregoing recommendations.

1st. That during the year ending 1st November 1860 the demand for lead as well as its market value was so good as to enable the Court to sell most advantageously a large quantity of lead beyond the quantity raised in the year, which has of course contributed to the favourable results of the years operations.

2nd. That since the 1st November there has been a great stagnation in the trade and prices obtained for the quantity of lead they have sold in the period have been at lower rates than in the year 1860.

Under these circumstances the court would have hesitated in recommending so large an extra dividend in the present occasion, had it not been for an advantageous circumstance, which has occurred within the current year. This was the sale of 541 shares, which were purchased some years since on account of the shareholders generally and held in trust for them. The proprietors are aware that in consequence of many applications of late for shares the Court of Assistants deemed it right to avail themselves of such demand and the whole have been sold realising the sum of £21,640 (£40 *per share*) while they stood valued as an asset in the books of the Company on 1st November last at £11,270 16s 8d.

4th April 1861 LLC 30

Sold William Robertson 20 casks of common litharge at £21 10s ton.

A gratuity of £500 was presented to Mr. R W Bainbridge.

11th April 1861 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 5707 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £1557 10s 8d.

Sold G Schmaly 2 tons of common lead at £21 10s ton.

A donation of £25 be given to the Primitive Methodists at Frosterly towards enlarging their Chapel.

25th April 1861 LLC 30

Sold Pontifex & Wood 4000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £22 10s ton.

2nd May 1861 LLC 30

£20 donation given toward the improvement of Stanhope Town Hall.

£20 donation given to the Wesleyan Methodist chapel at Frosterly towards enlarging the chapel.

9th May 1861 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3332 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £916 6s 0d.

Resolved that the site (for the removal of the Primitive Methodist Chapel at Nenthead) as pointed out in Mr Bainbridge's letter of the 8th inst. be approved and sanctioned.

16th May 1861 LLC 30

Sold William Robertson 5 tons of common litharge.

6th June 1861 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 4613 oz of fine silver at 5/5 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £1258 2s 11d.

13th June 1861 LLC 30

Sold Champion Hankey 12000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £21 10s.

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £21 10s ton.

27th June 1861 LLC 30

Sold Walker Parker & Co 6000 pieces of Stockton refined lead, and 2000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £21 10s ton, also 2000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton.

4th July 1861 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3326 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £900 15s 10d.

1st August 1861 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 5753 oz of fine silver at 5/4 7/8 an oz, they paid the company £1555 2s 1d.

22nd August 1861 LLC 30

Sold W Robertson 10 tons of common litharge at £20 10s ton.

29th August 1861 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3911 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £1059 4s 7d.

12th September 1861 LLC 30

Sold Mr John Birch 17 ounces of fine silver at 5/5 ounce, value £4 12s 1d

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 5000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £21 5s ton.

19th September 1861 LLC 30

The additional piece of land at the foot of Snaresgill plantation was sold to William Barron.

26th September 1861 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

26th September 1861 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 4611 oz of fine silver at 5/5 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £1258 8s 5d.

10th October 1861 LLC 30

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 12000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £21 5s ton.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 6000 pieces of Stockton refined lead, and 2000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £21 5s ton.

Sold Locke Blackett 5000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £21 5s ton.

17th October 1861 LLC 30

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £21 5s ton, and 5000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 3000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £21 5s ton.

Sold Locke Blackett 3000 pieces of Newcastle refined lead at £21 5s ton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £19 fother.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 3000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton.

Sold James & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton.

Estates in the North

	As valued in the books 1st Nov 1860	As valued by Mr U Bainbridge August 1860	To be valued in the books at about 2/3 valuation
Middleton Estate	£8,400	£9,720	£6,500
Priorsdale	£5,000	£6,635	£4,500
Alston Moor	£2,000	£5,195	£3,500
Garrigill		£775	£500
Dufton	£400	£550	£400
Hilton	£100	£150	£100
Egglestone	£2,500	£2,260	£1,500
Egglestone Mill	£800	£2,000	£1,500
Stanhope	£500	£750	£500
	£19,700	£28,035	£19,000
		2/3 of " is £18,690	
3 Freehold houses in London	£1,000	as valued on 10 Oct 1861 £5,750	£2,000
TOTALS	£20,700	£33,785	£21,000

24th October 1861 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 6911 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £1882 10s 0d.

31st October 1861 LLC 30

Sold W I Cookson 2000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton.

14th November 1861 LLC 30

Sold Grey & Marten 1000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £21 5s ton, and 4000 pieces of Newcastle common lead at £19 5s ton. Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 2000 pieces of Newcastle common lead at £19 5s ton, and 1000 pieces of Stockton refined lead at £21 5s ton.

21st November 1861 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 2742 oz of fine silver at 5/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £749 15s 4d.
Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £19 5s ton.
Sold Locke Blackett 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton.
Sold Locke Lancaster 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton.

28th November 1861 LLC 30

Sold W Robertson 4000 pieces of common lead at £19 5s ton.
Sold Locke Lancaster 4000 pieces of common lead at £19 5s ton.
Resolved that a Calcining Furnace be erected at Nenthead Mill.

5th December 1861 LLC 30

Sold Walker Parker & Co all the slag lead made for sale between 29th December next and 29th December 1862 at £16 10s ton.

12th December 1861 LLC 30

Sold Locke Lancaster 3000 pieces of common lead at £19 5s ton.
Sold W I Cookson 10 ton of common litharge at £22 10s ton.
John Elliot (Cashier and check clerk) was dismissed from the Company after the Court had received a detailed letter from Mr Bainbridge.

19th December 1861 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3249 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £886 14s 1d.

30th December 1861 LLC 39

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Octavius Wigram Governor

Mr John William Birch Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay	Mr Herbert Barnard
Mr Isaac Braithwaite	Mr John Garrett Cattley
Mr John Davis	Mr William Gladstone
Mr George Grenfell Glyn	Mr Edward Masterman
Mr Charles Henry Mills	Mr Henry Tritton

9th January 1862 LLC 30

Sold Locke Lancaster 10000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton.

16th January 1862 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3542 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £974 1s 0d.

Sold Locke Blackett 3000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £19 10s ton.

Sold Locke Lancaster 3000 pieces of common lead at £19 10s ton.

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of common lead at £19 10s ton.

30th January 1862 LLC 30

The Superintendent was authorised to purchase the lease offered by Mr. Backhouse for his mineral grounds in Teesdale for not more than £500 including mining materials.

The Court donated 20 guineas to the sufferers of the Hartley Colliery accident.

13th February 1862 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3893 oz of fine silver at 5/6 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £1072 12s 1d.

27th February 1862 LLC 30

The probate of the will of John Masterman late of Nicholas Lane in the City of London Banker deceased granted to Thomas Masterman Esq. the brother and Henry Masterman Esq. and Edward Masterman Esq. the sons of the said deceased the executors named in the said will under the principal registry seal of the court of probate bearing date of 8th February 1862 exhibited as registered.

Ordered that the sum of £1000 be appropriated out of the reserve fund for buildings towards the rebuilding of the schoolhouse at Middleton.

13th March 1862 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 2485 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £683 7s 6d.

The recommendation of the Superintendent for making a loan of £200 to the Eggleston Coal road for the completion of the Bridge over the Eggesburn be complied with and that he is hereby authorised to make the same at the rate of interest of 5% per annum.

27th March 1862 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court.

Mr Thomas Tilson, Mr Barry Park Squance, Mr Thomas Pix Cobb, Mr George Witt, Mr George Friend Whiteley & Mrs Mary Anne Mann attended the Court and qualified according to the Charter.

The Governor and Court of Assistants regret to inform the Proprietors that the operations of the year ending the 31st October 1861 were not attended with results as satisfactory as in some previous years.

In the first place there was a considerable falling off in the quantity of ore raised as compared with 1860 and secondly the average price of lead was lower, doubtless owing to the general stagnation in the trade. It is however satisfactory to them to state that by withholding their produce from the market through the period of heaviest depression they were enabled to

realise remunerative prices which would not have been the case had the Directors been forced to sell to meet the current expenditure.

By the balance sheet before you, you will observe that the ordinary profits and net revenue of the year amount to £16,560 12s 7d, and that what must be considered an extraordinary profit Viz. that realised on the sale of 541 shares held by the Company over and above the amount of which they stood valued in the books was £10,368 8s 4d.

Under the circumstances the Governor and Court of Assistants recommend that the usual dividend of 10 shillings per share for the half year ending at Ladyday last without any deductions for Income Tax. Also that an extra dividend of 40 shillings per share for the year be made, without any deduction for Income Tax.

3rd April 1862 LLC 30

Sold Walker Parker & Co 4000 pieces of common lead at £20 ton.

10th April 1862 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 4253 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1165 2s 10d. Awarded a gratuity of £500 to Mr. R W Bainbridge.

17th April 1862 LLC 30

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton, and 5000 pieces of common lead at £20 ton.

8th May 1862 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 4430 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1213 12s 8d. Sold Pontifex & Wood 4000 pieces of refined lead at £22 10s ton.

15th May 1862 LLC 30

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 3000 pieces of refined lead at £22 10s ton.
Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £20 ton.

5th June 1862 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3779 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £1041 3s 10d. Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £20 ton.

12th June 1862 LLC 30

Sold Locke & Lancaster 2000 pieces of common lead at £20 ton
Sold Locke Blackett 3000 pieces of common lead at £20 ton

3rd July 1862 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 1851 oz of fine silver at 5/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £506 2s 8d.

24th July 1862 LLC 30

Mr. Bainbridge having been subpoenaed as a witness in a trial respecting the right of way over Frosterly thinks that a production of the deeds of Bollyhope May be necessary. Resolved that Mr. Elliot take with him to the North attested copy lease from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners to Mr. Beaumont dated 12th May 1859 and deed of assignment from Mr. Beaumont to the Lead Company dated 27th August 1859.

31st July 1862 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 4211 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1153 12s 9d.

7th August 1862 LLC 30

The Company seal was affixed to the Counterpart of the lease of Flakebrigg mining ground and Blackton farms.

14th August 1862 LLC 30

Sold Walker Parker & Co 8000 pieces of refined lead at £22 10s ton.

28th August 1862 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3257 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £895 13s 6d.

25th September 1862 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

25th September 1862 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 2630 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £723 5s 0d.

Sold Grey & Marten 3000 pieces of common lead at £19 10s ton.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 3000 pieces of common lead at £19 10s ton.

Mr R W Bainbridge was authorised to apply to the Earl of Lonsdale for the renewal of the lease of his Lordships mineral ground on the basis of the present conditions of the existing lease for a further term of 21 years.

Mr. R W Bainbridge was authorised to accept the terms offered by Mr. Gray on behalf of the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, to undertaken the trial of the Deeper strata in Alston Moor, below water level.

Mr. R. W. Bainbridge will not be called upon to make good the amount of fraud committed on the Company by his late Deputy Cashier.

The request of the General Committee of the Workingmen's fund to increase the allowance from 5s to 6s per week after the age of 65 years be allowed.

Also that the annual contribution from the Company to the fund of one hundred pounds be continued for the present (another) septennial period out of which an allowance of £2 be made to any member of the fund who may **have** the misfortune to lose his wife by death to pay the expense of the funeral.

The plan (with estimated cost of £600) for enlarging the house at Masterman place for the residence of the medical officer of the district is approved.

2nd October 1862 LLC 30

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 20 pieces of refined lead made at Nenthead Mill at £20 ton, delivered at Newcastle.

9th October 1862 LLC 30

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 4000 pieces of common lead at £20 ton.

16th October 1862 LLC 30

Sold William Robertson 5 tons of common litharge at £21 ton.

23rd October 1862 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 5654 oz of fine silver at 5/67/8 an oz, they paid the company £1563 13s 8d.

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 2000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton.

Mr Robert French as Deputy Cashier be required to give security to the Company for £500.

20th November 1862 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 1898 oz of fine silver at 5/65/8 an oz, they paid the company £526 17s 10d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton.

27th November 1862 LLC 30

One hundred guineas given to the Lancashire Distress fund. Also a further contribution be given to the Clergyman of this Parish for the fund being raised by him in aid of the same cause.

The American Civil war resulted in a shortage of Cotton, the result of which was that over a quarter of a million people became reliant on the Parish, or Private Charities. It was not until 1863 that the situation began to improve with Cotton being imported from Egypt and Eastern Countries.

11th December 1862 LLC 30

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton.

18th December 1862 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 5500 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1512 10s 0d.

29th December 1862 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

Miss Anne Barton, Miss Josephine Barton, Mr Henry Masterman, Mr Joseph Tritton, and Mr Joseph Giveney Barclay attended the Court and qualified according to the Charter.

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Octavius Wigram Governor
Mr John William Birch Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Herbert Barnard	Mr Isaac Braithwaite
Mr John Garrett Cattley	Mr John Davis
Mr William Gladstone	Mr George Grenfell Glyn
Mr Edward Masterman	Mr Charles Henry Mills
Mr Henry Tritton	Mr Simeon Warner

15th January 1863 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3170 oz of fine silver at 5/6 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £875 1s 1d.

12th February 1863 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 6747 oz of fine silver at 5/6 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £1862 9s 1d.
Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton.

26th February 1863 LLC 30

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 3000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton.

5th March 1863 LLC 30

Thomas Davidson Mine Overman in Teesdale be appointed agent in Garrigill in the place of Mr. Cain deceased at a salary of £110 including the keep of a house for the present year commencing Michaelmas last with a rise yearly of £10 till it reach £150.

12th March 1863 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 2992 oz of fine silver at 5/6 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £825 18s 4d.

26th March 1863 LLC 39

Mr John Smith and Miss Anne Allardyce Morice attended the Court and qualified according to the Charter.

The Court of Assistants have to report that although the quantity of ore raised during the past year shows an increase of about 3,000 Bings as compared with the previous year, a further decline in the value of lead, an accumulated stock and an increase in the cost of raising tell

materially against the realised profits on the operations of the Company for the year ending 31st October 1862.

Notwithstanding these circumstances the Court of Assistants consider they may fairly again in trench on the balance of the previous year and therefore although the ordinary profits and net revenue of the year only amount, as shown by the accounts before you to £14747 7s 5d. The Court of Assistants recommend that the usual dividend of 10s per share for the half year ending Ladyday last, without and deduction for income tax be made, and also that an extra dividend of 20s per share for the year be made, without any deduction for income tax.

No material change has occurred in the affairs of the Company since the last meeting of the Proprietors. Our managers in the North continue to report most favourably on the good conduct of the large number of men in our employ; and our mining operations in general appear progressing satisfactorily.

It would however be unwise to attempt to form any idea how such future operations may turn out, for from the experience of the Company, until the ore is raised within the year has been dressed and brought into the mill there is even within that short period, a degree of uncertainty in any estimate however carefully made; the present opened mines nevertheless seem to justify the hope expressed by our superintendent in the north that the current years or raising may be equal to the past.

The application of Francis Ruddle Esquire was read. Viz

That one share of the Company now standing in the names of Robert Aslett and Thomas Durant which has not been claimed since the year 1784 be allowed to be transferred to the said Francis Ruddle Esq, and that all dividends, bonuses, and returns of the Capital thereon be paid over to the said Francis Ruddle so soon as he may obtain letters of administration to Mr Robert Aslett deceased and show by proper evidence that he survived Mr Thomas Durant also deceased.

Resolved that the said application from Francis Ruddle Esquire be allowed and the same is hereby approved and confirmed.

16th April 1863 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 5867 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1607 6s 3d.

30th April 1863 LLC 30

The Superintendent was authorised to subscribe a sum not exceeding twenty guineas towards the subscription proposed to be raised for a testimonial to Mr Grey on his retirement from the Receivership of Greenwich Hospital.

7th May 1863 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3244 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £888 14s 5d.

14th May 1863 LLC 30

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 10000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton.

Sold Grey & Marten 5000 pieces of common lead at £20 ton, and 1000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton.

21st May 1863 LLC 30

Sold Grey & Marten 5000 pieces of common lead at £19 17s 6d ton, and 10 tons of common litharge at £20 ton.

4th June 1863 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 5464 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1502 12s 0d.

11th June 1863 LLC 30

Mr. Bainbridge attended the Court in conformity with the communication had with him by letter on the general state of the concern more particularly with a view to economy in the same.

25th June 1863 LLC 30

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton.

2nd July 1863 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 2791 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £764 12s 3d.

16th July 1863 LLC 30

The Company's seal was affixed to the Counterpart of the lease of the Hilton and Murton mines and mill.

23rd July 1863 LLC 30

Sold Pontifex & Wood 40000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton.

30th July 1863 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3802 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1041 11s 10d.

27th August 1863 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3903 oz of fine silver at 5/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £1067 4s 7d.

3rd September 1863 LLC 30

Sold 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton.

Resolved in conformity with the provision of the 13th Bye law of the Corporation that the day and hour for the weekly meeting of the Court of Assistants be changed, that till further notice it be held on Tuesday in each week at a quarter past 12 o'clock noon precisely.

Resolved that the salary of the head monitor of the school at Middleton (when deemed advisable) be increased to ten shillings per week.

8th September 1863 LLC 30

Sold Brandram Brothers 5 tons common litharge at £21 ton.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton, and 5000 pieces of common lead at £20 ton.

15th September 1863 LLC 30

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton.

24th September 1863 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

29th September 1863 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3044 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £837 2s 0d.

Mr Bainbridge is authorised to subscribe one or two Guinea's annually at his discretion to the Wolsingham Agricultural Society.

13th October 1863 LLC 30

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton delivered at Stockton and 1000 pieces of refined lead at £20 10s delivered at Newcastle.

27th October 1863 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 5521 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1518 5s 6d.

3rd November 1863 LLC 30

Sold Grey & Marten 1000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton, and 2000 pieces of common lead at £19 15s ton.

10th November 1863 LLC 30

The Joint offer of Messrs Locke Lancaster & Co and Messrs Walker Parker & Co for the purchase of 24000 pieces of company lead was accepted. 8000 pieces of refined at £20 ton delivered at Newcastle, and 16000 pieces of common lead at £19 10s ton (9000 delivered at Stockton, 7000 delivered at Newcastle).

17th November 1863 LLC 30

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £19 15s ton.

24th November 1863 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 2934 oz of fine silver at 5/57/8 an oz, they paid the company £802 6s 5d.

8th December 1863 LLC 30

£20 was given to Mr. Thomas Watson Mine Agent in Alston Moor towards meeting the expenses of a severe illness with which he had been afflicted.

22nd December 1863 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 4189 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £1154 3s 1d.

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton.

Sold Grey & Marten 4000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton.

4th January 1864 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Octavius Wigram Governor

Mr John William Birch Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay

Mr Isaac Braithwaite

Mr John Davis

Mr Edward Masterman

Mr Henry Tritton

Mr Herbert Barnard

Mr John Garrett Cattley

Mr William Gladstone

Mr Charles Henry Mills

Mr Simeon Warner

5th January 1864 LLC 30

Sold Grey & Marten 5000 pieces of common lead at £20 ton.

Sold Pontifex & wood 4000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton.

Sold Locke & Lancaster 4000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton, and 2000 pieces of common lead at £20 ton.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 3000 pieces of common lead at £20 ton.

12th January 1864 LLC 30

Sold James & Shakespeare 500 tons of common lead at £20 10s ton.

19th January 1864 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3470 oz of fine silver at 5/7 an oz, they paid the company £968 14s 2d.

26th January 1864 LLC 30

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 3000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton.

16th February 1864 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 5004 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1376 2s 0d. £400 was assigned from the "Reserve Fund" towards rebuilding the Doctor's House at Middleton.

23rd February 1864 LLC 30

Resolved that the plan submitted for the schoolhouse at Nenthead be approved and that the Superintendent is hereby authorised to commence upon the basis of the estimate of £1,576 as furnished.

1st March 1864 LLC 30

Sold Naylor Benjon 10000 pieces of common lead at £21 7s 6d ton delivered free on board.
Sold Grey & Marten 3000 pieces of refined lead at £21 15s ton.
Authorised the Superintendent to expend a sum not exceeding £300 in making the requisite roads between the Cornish Hush mine and Bollyhope burn and Frosterly.

8th March 1864 LLC 30

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 6000 pieces of refined lead at £21 15s ton.

15th March 1864 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 4512 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1240 16s 0d.
Sold Champion Hankey & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 15s ton.
Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton.

22nd March 1864 LLC 30

The Superintendent authorised to subscribe the sum of twenty guineas towards the erection of a memorial window in the Parish Church at Staindrop to their Lamented Landlord the late Duke of Cleveland.

29th March 1864 LLC 30

The Governor informed the Court that he had received a letter from William Tetley Esq. announcing the death of their former Superintendent Robert Stagg Esq. of Dishforth on Sunday the 27th March 1864.

The Governor informed the Court that in consequence of the late fearful and disastrous catastrophe at Sheffield he had been in communication with Mr. Bainbridge relative to the state of our large water reservoir at Priorsdale.

31st March 1864 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Governor and Court of Assistants in submitting to you the account for the year ending 31st October 1863, can but congratulate the Proprietors upon the satisfactory result of the years operations, a result which would have been still more favourable had the state of the lead market enabled them to dispose the whole of the years produce within that period.

The Proprietors will however observe that a considerable portion of the increased profits arise from a reduction in the amount of the wages earned by the miners as compared with the previous year. Under the most careful management it is difficult to keep the wages of the miners exactly to the proposed scale; and this forms one of the many uncertain elements in mining risks.

The produce from the mines for the year has been very satisfactory, being a little in excess of 1862, while the price obtained for the lead sold has maintained the same average per ton. And the conduct of the vast number of men in the Company's employ has continued to be most satisfactory.

A very large proportion of the shareholders having repeatedly expressed the warm interest they personally feel in the welfare of the Company schools the Court of Assistants have the pleasure to report that these valuable institutions continue in the same complete state of efficiency, which in 1861 called forth the marked encomiums of the Government Inspector

As stated on previous occasions the two principle school houses (built in 1818) have long been felt totally inadequate to the number attending the schools and still more deficient in that most important element for the health and stamina of the children, good ventilation.

The new school house at Middleton was completed last year, and appears to give great satisfaction to everyone and to be all that can be desired.

That at Nenthead will be commenced immediately the weather in that severe climate will admit, and it is hoped may be completed by the end of the summer. The cost of it as the shareholders are aware will not affect the present years operations as a sum was reserved for the purpose out of the large profits of former periods.

There is another feature in the accounts of the last year to which the Court of Assistants deem it fitting to call to the attention of the Proprietors, as on more than one occasion, the policy of maintaining a large surplus Capital has been called into question and the test which this policy has sustained illustrates its value to the concern – as had such not been the case the Court would have been compelled to force sales of their lead at a time when there was little or no demand.

Should the Proprietors agree with the Court in the amount of dividend now to be made it will leave a small sum towards replacing the entrenchment made last year upon our reserve, which the Court at the meeting in March 1863 did not hesitate to recommend, considering the general favourable aspect of the concern at the time.

The Reserve with this addition will then stand at about £18000, certainly not a large amount in prosperous times.

The Court of assistants recommend that the usual dividend of 10s per share for the half year ending Ladyday last without any deduction for income tax.

Also that an extra dividend of 20s per share for the year be made to the Proprietors, without any deduction for income tax.

5th April 1864 LLC 30

A gratuity of £500 was presented to Mr. Bainbridge for his services.

12th April 1864 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 6058 oz of fine silver at 5/63/4 an oz, they paid the company £1675 8s 4d.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 1000 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

Sold Grey & Marten 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton.

19th April 1864 LLC 30

The sum of £48 10s 0d be paid to the Bank of England on or before the 1st May **next** to the credit of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for the annual allowance for the Curate of Garrigill, on the part of the Company and the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital in accordance with the Superintendents letter of the 13th inst., and that he do receive back from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital their proportion of such payment.

3rd May 1864 LLC 30

The Court approved Mr. Habershow's recommendation for altering the site of the new schoolhouse at Nenthead.

10th May 1864 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 2130 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £585 15s 0d.

10th May 1864 LLC 30

The Superintendent was authorised to construct a double roasting furnace at Nenthead mill as proposed.

17th May 1864 LLC 30

£20 authorised for repairs to Nenthead church.

7th June 1864 LLC 30

Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton.

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton.

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 4000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton.

21st June 1864 LLC 30

Sold Walker Parker & Co all the slag lead made during the present year ending 31st October next at £16 10s ton.

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton.

5th July 1864 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 4948 oz of fine silver at 5/57/8 an oz, they paid the company £1358 2s 6d.

2nd August 1864 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 4478 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1227 6s 9d.

9th August 1864 LLC 30

Sold Grey & Marten 3000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton.

23rd August 1864 LLC 30

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton.

30th August 1864 LLC 30

Sold Messrs G Schmaly 15 tons of common litharge at £21 5s 0d ton.

6th September 1864 LLC 30

Resolved that the salary of Mr. Stewart Carson the Medical officer for Nenthead and Alston Moor be increased to £200 a year with a further increase of £10 a year till it reach £250 with the house rent free but no field to be allowed him rent free as heretofore.

13th September 1864 LLC 30

The annual subscription to Agricultural Societies be increased from two to three guineas each.

27th September 1864 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

27th September 1864 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 4545 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £1252 4s 10d.

11th October 1864 LLC 30

Sold Stockton & Middlesborough Water works Co 2000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton.
Mr. John Maken's was appointed Medical Gentleman in the Teesdale District following the resignation of Mr. Ewart.

18th October 1864 LLC 30

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £20 10s ton at Newcastle, and 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton at Stockton.
Sold Champion Hankey & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton at Stockton.
Sold Kebbel Shepherd 3000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton at Stockton.
Sold Foster Blackett & Wilson 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton at Stockton.
Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton at Stockton.

25th October 1864 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 5810 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £1582 12s 5d.
Sold Locke Blackett & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton.

1st November 1864 LLC 30

Sold Brandram Brothers & Co 10 tons of best flake litharge at £22 ton.

15th November 1864 LLC 30

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton.

22nd November 1864 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3032 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £830 12s 10d.

6th December 1864 LLC 30

The Superintendent having reported the death on the 29th September of Mr. John French formerly Wood Agent and late pensioner on the Company.
Resolved that the quarterly allowance to Xmas next be paid to his representatives to aid them in discharging his heavy medical expenses incurred by the long illness of the deceased.

13th December 1864 LLC 30

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 2500 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton.
Sold Kebble Shepherd 3000 pieces of refined lead at £21 15s ton, and 2000 pieces of common lead at £19 15s ton.
Sold Walker Parker & Co 2500 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton, and 2000 pieces of common lead at £19 15s ton.

20th December 1864 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 4804 oz of fine silver at 5/61/4 an oz, they paid the company £1326 2s 1d.
Sold Grey & Marten 3000 pieces of common lead at £19 15s ton.

2nd January 1865 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Octavius Wigram Governor

Mr John William Birch Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay

Mr Isaac Braithwaite

Mr George Wodehouse Currie

Mr Edward Masterman

Mr Henry Tritton

Mr Herbert Barnard

Mr John Garrett Cattley

Mr William Gladstone

Mr David Simpson Morice

Mr Simeon Warner

10th January 1865 LLC 30

Sold Grey & Marten 4000 pieces of refined lead at £21 15s ton, and 6000 pieces of common lead at £19 15s ton.

17th January 1865 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3470 oz of fine silver at 5/6 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £956 1s 2d.

14th February 1865 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 6344 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £1744 12s 0d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co all the slag lead made during the present year ending 31st October at £16 10s ton.

21st February 1865 LLC 30

The Company solicitors were requested to draw up a petition against the Tyne improvement Bill on behalf of the Company.

14th March 1865 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 1791 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £492 10s 6d.

21st March 1865 LLC 30

The Court was informed by Mr W B Beaumont Esq., that the promoters of the Tyne improvement Bill had agreed to strike out of their Bill the words and clauses, which were objectionable to mines.

28th March 1865 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Governor and Court of Assistants have the pleasure in laying before you the accompanying statement of the affairs of the Company for the year ending 31st October 1864, to call your attention to the satisfactory result of the operations of the Company for that period, which would have exhibited a still more favourable aspect had not the unusual drought of the last summer checked their washing operations and stopped the completion of the Dressing of the whole of the ore raised within the year. This ore however, whatever the quantity may prove, will of course assist the result of the coming year.

During the last year, as may be observed by a reference to the statement, the market demand for lead has been good and continued so till after last Christmas, since which period a great stagnation in the trade has occurred, not more however than what the court believe to have taken place in most of their branches of business.

Yet it is so important a feature in the success of their concern that when the Court are recommending to you an increase in the amount of the Extra Dividend, as compared with the two last years, they conceive it to be their duty not to pass over this circumstance, without alluding to it.

The Court have further the pleasure to state that the general appearance of their mines is still favourable, and the conduct of the workmen in their employ continued during the last year most satisfactory.

The Court of Assistants recommend that the usual dividend of 10s per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Ladyday last, without any deduction for Income Tax. Also that and an extra dividend of 30s per share for the year be made without any deduction for Income Tax.

4th April 1865 LLC 30

A gratuity of £500 was presented to R. W. Bainbridge for his services.

11th April 1865 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 6588 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £1794 10s 10d.

A donation of £30 was given to the trustees of the Egglestone turnpike towards the expense of widening the Bridge over the Blackton Beck.

25th April 1865 LLC 30

Sold Walker Parker & Co 6000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton, and 2000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton.

9th May 1865 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 2842 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £775 12s 7d.
Sold Brandram Brothers & Co 10 tons of best flake litharge at £21 10s ton.

30th May 1865 LLC 30

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton.

6th June 1865 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 6141 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £1672 15s 8d.

8th August 1865 LLC 31

Sold Locke & Lancaster 3000 pieces of common lead at £18 15s ton delivered to Newcastle.
Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton delivered to Stockton.

29th August 1865 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 2792 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £760 10s 7d.
Sold Locke & Lancaster 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton delivered to Stockton, and 1000 pieces of refined lead at £20 10s ton delivered to Newcastle.

5th September 1865 LLC 31

Resolved that an increase of salaries be extended to Mill Overman and all Overman other than Mine Overman i.e. an advance equal to that which previous to 1857 was the limit for Mine Overmen Viz. that when an Overman has attained and been in receipt of £80 a year for 5 years he may become eligible for a further increase of salary for 4 years of £5 a year which will thus make the maximum of salary of Overmen other than the Mine Overmen £100 a year.

12th September 1865 LLC 31

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £18 15s ton delivered to Newcastle.
Sold Kebbel Shepherd 3000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton delivered to Stockton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £18 15s ton delivered to Newcastle.
Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 1000 pieces of refined lead at £20 10s ton to Newcastle, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £18 15s ton delivered to Newcastle.

26th September 1865 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

26th September 1865 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 5437 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £1486 13s 7d.

3rd October 1865 LLC 31

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton delivered to Stockton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton delivered to Stockton.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 1000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton delivered to Newcastle.

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton delivered to Stockton.

Sold Pontifex & Wood 3000 pieces of refined lead at £21 15s ton delivered to Stockton, and 6000 pieces of common lead delivered to Newcastle.

10th October 1865 LLC 31

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton delivered to Stockton, and 5000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton delivered at Newcastle.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £21 15s ton delivered to Stockton, and 70 casks of litharge at £20 10s ton.

24th October 1865 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 5732 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1570 6s 7d.

Sold Grey & Marten 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton delivered to Stockton.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton delivered to Stockton.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 1000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton delivered to Newcastle.

14th November 1865 LLC 31

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 3000 pieces of refined lead at £22 10s ton delivered at Stockton.

Sold James & Shakespeare 6000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton delivered to Newcastle.

21st November 1865 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 1640 oz of fine silver at 5/61/4 an oz, they paid the company £452 14s 2d.

5th December 1865 LLC 31

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 10s ton delivered to Stockton.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 10s ton delivered to Stockton.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 3000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton delivered to Newcastle.

12th December 1865 LLC 31

Sold Grey & Marten 4000 pieces of refined lead at £22 10s ton delivered to Stockton.

19th December 1865 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 6207 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £1710 3s 2d.

The Company received the right of shooting over a small part of the Greenwich Hospital Estate at a nominal rent of £10 per annum.

2nd January 1866 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Octavius Wigram Governor

Mr John William Birch Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay	Mr Herbert Barnard
Mr Isaac Braithwaite	Mr John Garrett Cattley
Mr George Wodehouse Currie	Mr Henry Hucks Gibbs
Mr Edward Masterman	Mr Charles Henry Mills
Mr David Simpson Morice	Mr Henry Tritton

16th January 1866 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son **1829** oz of fine silver at 5/61/4 an oz, they paid the company £504 17s 7d.
A donation of £10 given towards the enlargement of the schoolhouse at Frosterly.

13th February 1866 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 7463 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £2052 6s 6d.
Sold Grey & Marten 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 15s ton delivered to Stockton.

6th March 1866 LLC 31

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 15s ton delivered to Stockton.
Sold Kebbel Shepherd 3000 pieces of refined lead at £22 15s ton delivered to Stockton.
Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton delivered to Newcastle.

13th March 1866 LLC 31

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 15s ton delivered to Stockton,
and 1000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton delivered to Newcastle.
Sold Pontifex & Wood 4000 pieces of refined lead at £22 15s ton delivered to Stockton.

27th March 1866 LLC 31

Sold Locke Blackett & co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton delivered to Newcastle.
Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 15s ton delivered to Stockton,
and 1000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s delivered to Newcastle.
Sold Locke Blackett & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton delivered at Newcastle.

27th March 1866 LLC 39

Half Yearly General Court

In our last years report, while congratulating our Proprietors on the satisfactory condition of the Company's mining prospects we called their attention to the extreme stagnation in the demand for lead. This stagnation continued for some months causing our stock, particularly of the Common qualities to accumulate to a considerable extent, and when at length the demand sprung up, prices ruled considerably lower than in 1864 and we were forced to clear off a large quantity of Common lead at prices that barely paid the cost of production. The produce of the mines has been quite as favourable as we anticipated, but the low price at which we disposed of our accumulated stock materially affected our average of sales and consequently the net profits of the year.

During the last five months prices have improved and our sales have been on the whole satisfactory. As far as the uncertainty of all mining operations will allow us to foresee, the Company's prospects are favourable.

We must not however close our report without drawing the special attention of the shareholders to the serious increase our expenditure in the shape of wages. It is of the great difficulties we shall have to contend with, and one over which we can have no certain control so long as the competition for labour prevails in the North.

The miners and workmen generally have conducted themselves praiseworthily, and we have every reason to congratulate our proprietors on the condition of the numerous families in their employ, and the continued efficient state of the system of Education, which has worked, and still works as one of the greatest blessings in our mining districts.

The Court of Assistants recommend that the usual dividend of 10s per share be made to the Proprietors for the half year ending Ladyday last, without any deduction for Income Tax. Also that an extra dividend of 20s per share for the year be made without any deduction for Income Tax.

3rd April 1866 LLC 31

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 15s ton delivered to Stockton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton delivered at Newcastle.

10th April 1866 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 6024 oz of fine silver at 5/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £1659 14s 9d. Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton delivered to Newcastle.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton delivered to Newcastle.

The Court having taken into consideration the services of their Superintendent. Resolved that a gratuity be presented to Mr R W Bainbridge of £500.

17th April 1866 LLC 31

Ordered that the secretary instruct the solicitors to seek an interview with Lord Kinnard respecting the Metalliferous Mines Bill (now awaiting its 2nd reading in the Lords) with a view of getting some of the clauses objected to last year, modified, particularly as to deposit of plans which ought not to be required unless the mines are abandoned and also to watch for the Bill of which Mr. Cave has given notice for Rating of Mines, and a Bill which is expected to be brought in as to water reservoirs.

24th April 1866 LLC 31

Respecting an additional allowance for the Curate of Garrigill.

Resolved that the said allowance from the Company be increased from £25 to £30 a year during their pleasure and that the sum of £60 less income tax be paid into the Bank of England, to the account of the Ecclesiastical Commission upon the understanding that one half said sum will be refunded by Greenwich Hospital the same as last year.

1st May 1866 LLC 31

The attention of the Court having been especially drawn to the large and increasing balance in hand on account of the Workmen's Fund.

Resolved that the Governor and Mr. Morice be requested to communicate with Mr. Ansell thereon.

8th May 1866 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 2438 oz of fine silver at 5/6 an oz, they paid the company £670 9s 0d.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton delivered to Newcastle.

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton delivered to Stockton.

Permission was given for a planning room to be added to Nenthead house at a cost not exceeding £200.

22nd May 1866 LLC 31

Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton delivered to Stockton.

29th May 1866 LLC 31

Mr. Bainbridge was authorised to agree a lease of Stanhope Mill and small farm adjoining. He was also authorised to commence forthwith the alterations at Gaunless Mill (estimated cost of £300).

5th June 1866 LLC 30

Sold Myhill & Son 3139 oz of fine silver at 5/63/4 an oz, they paid the company £873 0s 8d.
Sold Brandram Brothers & Co 18 casks of litharge at £23 ton.

12th June 1866 LLC 31

Resolved that the Superintendent be requested to express respectfully to his Grace's (Duke of Cleveland) agents the disappointment of the Court at the limited concession proposed to be made in respect of the Rate of Dues payable in the Teesdale District, and to urge upon them the views detailed by the Superintendent which are in unison with those entertained by the Court as the Court feel that the existing Dues are much too onerous to meet the altered circumstances of lead mining in the North of England particularly as regards the increase which has of late years taken place in the rate of wages.

19th June 1866 LLC 31

Sold Pontifex & Wood 3000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton delivered to Stockton, and 3000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton delivered to Newcastle.

3rd July 1866 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 3536 oz of fine silver at 5/63/8 an oz, they paid the company £997 18s 6d.

17th July 1866 LLC 31

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead, Locke Lancaster & co 2000 pieces of refined lead, S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead, Kebbel Shepherd 3000 pieces of refined lead, all at £23 ton delivered to Stockton.

Sold walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton delivered to Newcastle, and 5000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton.

31st July 1866 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 4399 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £1198 5s 5d.

14th August 1866 LLC 31

Sold S & W Tudor 2 tons of common flake litharge at £21 10s ton.

28th August 1866 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 3500 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £949 14s 10d.

4th September 1866 LLC 31

Sold Grey & Marten 3000 pieces of refined lead at £23 10s ton delivered to Stockton.

11th September 1866 LLC 31

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 3000 pieces of refined lead at £23 10s ton delivered to Stockton.

25th September 1866 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 3102 oz of fine silver at 5/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £848 4s 1d.

2nd October 1866 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

23rd October 1866 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 6838 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1873 6s 7d.

6th November 1866 LLC 31

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £23 10s ton delivered to Stockton.
Sold Brandram Brothers & Co 93/4 ton of best flake litharge at £23 10s ton.
The Court referring to the report of the late deputation as to the state of some of the cottages belonging to the Company.
Resolved that the Superintendent be authorised to establish a small gang of workmen as therein proposed.

13th November 1866 LLC 31

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £23 10s ton delivered to Stockton.
Sold Walker Parker & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £21 5s ton delivered to Newcastle.

20th November 1866 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 1343 oz of fine silver at 5/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £367 4s 6d.
Read a letter from Mr Saunders offering the sale of Tindale Fell Spelter works belonging to the estate of the late Mr Attwood with some remarks thereon by Mr R W Bainbridge.

4th December 1866 LLC 31

Sold Brandram Brothers & Co 200 pieces of common lead at £21 5s ton, as a sample, delivered to Newcastle.
Read a letter from the Superintendent of the 3rd inst. and the resolutions of the Committee of Management of the Workmen's Fund of 28th of November 1866.
Resolved that the note to the 18th rule of the society be altered and stand as follows.
Note. From and after the 1st day of November 1866 the above allowance to take date from the commencement of the illness, in case such member shall continue to be sick for seven consecutive days.
The resignation of Mr. Stewart Carson, Surgeon at Nenthead was accepted.
Mr Bainbridge authorised to give a donation not exceeding Ten pounds for an Harmonium at Laith Kirk Church.

11th December 1866 LLC 31

Sold Grey & Marten all the slag lead now in stock and that will be made to the 31st October next at £16 10s ton.

18th December 1866 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 5698 oz of fine silver at 5/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £1542 4s 5d.

31st December 1866 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Octavius Wigram Governor
Mr John William Birch Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay	Mr Isaac Braithwaite
Mr John Garrett Cattley	Mr George Wodehouse Currie
Mr Henry Hucks Gibbs	Mr William Gladstone
Mr Edward Masterman	Mr Charles Henry Mills
Mr David Simpson Morice	Mr Henry Tritton

8th January 1867 LLC 31

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 4000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton delivered to Stockton.

15th January 1867 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 1798 oz of fine silver at 5/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £491 12s 10d.

29th January 1867 LLC 31

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 2000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton delivered to Stockton.

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton delivered to Stockton.

12th February 1867 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 4093 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £1114 18s 4d.

5th March 1867 LLC 31

A donation of £25 was presented to Mr. Carson their late surgeon on his retirement.

The appointment of Dr Savage as surgeon for the Alston Moor District was confirmed.

12th March 1867 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 6135 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £1671 3s 0d.

Resolved that in accordance with the opinion of Mr. Utrick Bainbridge the assessment on the mine machinery etc. be paid.

Resolved that the resignation of Mr. Joseph Walton, mine agent for Teesdale be accepted from Ladyday next.

Resolved that the sum of one hundred pounds per annum from Lady day next be appropriated during the life of the said Joseph Walton at the discretion of the Superintendent for the benefit and maintenance of Mr. Joseph Walton and his family.

19th March 1867 LLC 31

Sold S & W Tudor 1500 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton delivered to Stockton, and 500 pieces of refined lead at £22 10s ton delivered to Newcastle.

26th March 1867 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The result of the operations for the year may upon the whole be deemed satisfactory considering the increased rate of wages which has arisen of late years, and is still maintained.

The prices for sales realised have been good and in excess of those of the last years, but the quantity of lead sold has not been equal to the quantity of ore raised and purchased, thereby creating an increased amount of stock in hand.

Had this increase of stock been sold in the year, it would have increased the profits for that period.

The yield from the mines has been good and the constant wet weather during the year most favourable for the washing operations consequently a larger proportion of ore than usual has been washed up, and brought into the mills, a circumstance very favourable to the result of the years operation.

Since the commencement of the current financial year the trade has been dull, but the Court believe that the lead trade has not been more so, than what is still the state of almost all other articles of commerce.

The Court have further pleasure to state that the workmen generally in the Company's employ have continued to deserve their usual character for good behaviour, and that the schools are in a very satisfactory state of efficiency

The Court of Assistants recommend that the usual dividend of 10s per share be made to the Proprietors for the half year ending Ladyday last, without any deduction for Income Tax.

Also that an extra dividend of 30s per share for the year be made without any deduction for Income Tax.

26th March 1867 LLC 31

Sold James & Shakespeare 24000 pieces of common lead at £20 6s ton to be delivered in the Thames, at a rate of 200 tons a month commencing May next.

2nd April 1867 LLC 31

The Superintendent was authorised to purchase Slaggy Burn mine near Garrigill at a sum not exceeding £200.

9th April 1867 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 5226 oz of fine silver at 5/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £1431 14s 2d.

16th April 1867 LLC 31

Sold Walker Parker & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £22 10s ton delivered to Newcastle, and 5000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton delivered to Stockton.

Sold Grey & Marten 4000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton delivered to Stockton.

A gratuity of £500 was presented to Mr. R W Bainbridge.

23rd April 1867 LLC 31

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton delivered to Stockton.

30th April 1867 LLC 31

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 4000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton delivered to Stockton.

7th May 1867 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 6166 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £1682 16s 1d.

Sold James & Shakespeare 7000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton shipped in the Thames condition as previous sale 23rd March (minutes dated 26th March).

14th May 1867 LLC 31

Resolved that the sum of one hundred and seventy five guineas be paid to Charles Ansell Esq. Actuary of the Atlas Assurance Co. as per his account for his examination and advice in respect of the Governor and Company's Workmen's Fund especially with regard to the increased benefits given in case of sickness.

4th June 1867 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 3537 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £959 15s 7d.

11th June 1867 LLC 31

Read a letter from R W Bainbridge on the Rating of Mines Bill, now before Parliament, which was referred to Mr Morice with a request that he would communicate with the Company's solicitors thereon.

9th July 1867 LLC 31

Sold James & Shakespeare 3000 pieces of common lead at £20 15s ton delivered in the Thames, conditions as previous sale.

30th July 1867 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 2063 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £560 17s 7d.

13th August 1867 LLC 31

Sold Brandram Brothers & Co 10 tons of best litharge at £23 ton.

20th August 1867 LLC 31

Sold S & W Tudor 11/2 tons of common litharge at £20 10s ton.

27th August 1867 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 4449 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £1207 5s 1d. Resolved that the proposition by Mr E Smith on the part of the Ecclesiastical Commission dated 5th August 1867, respecting the working of Bollyhope &c. be accepted and in so doing. The Superintendent was authorised to employ an additional number of 20 pickmen at Bollyhope, beyond the total he is now authorised to employ.

17th September 1867 LLC 31

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton delivered to Newcastle.

24th September 1867 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 3161 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £856 2s 1d. Sold James & Shakespeare 10000 pieces of common lead at £20 5s ton delivered in the Thames.

1st October 1867 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

1st October 1867 LLC 31

The application of James Forster for the purchase of a small parcel of land in Snaishill was agreed to.

8th October 1867 LLC 31

Sold Grey & Marten 20 casks of common litharge at £20 10s ton, and 5 casks of best litharge at £22 10s ton.

15th October 1867 LLC 31

Resolved that the Company seal be affixed to the counterpart lease from Sir Richard Tufton of his lead mines in Westmorland. Also that the Company seal be affixed to the Conveyance to Matthew Pattinson of the building site at Nenthead agreed to be sold to him.

The Superintendent was authorised to enter into a preliminary agreement with the Receivers of Greenwich Hospital for exploration of the mining fields of Gidersdale and Whitlow, on similar terms to those arranged with the Earl of Lonsdale for his Lordships Manors at Kirby Lonsdale and neighbourhood.

22nd October 1867 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 8122 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £2220 4s 5d.

12th November 1867 LLC 31

Sold S & W Tudor 1500 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton delivered to Newcastle, and 500 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton delivered to Stockton.

The Oaths and Declarations made by shareholders and Officers was modified. The following declaration being made by officers on their appointment or election.

I _____ having been elected to the trust and office of _____ of the Corporation called "The Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal" do solemnly and sincerely declare that I will duly execute my said trust and office during my continuance therein and faithfully observe the laws, constitutions, orders and ordinances of the said Corporation. And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of an Act of Parliament made and passed in the session of Parliament in the 5th and 6th years of the reign of his late Majesty King William the 4th instituted an Act for the more effectual abolition of oaths and affirmations taken and made

in various departments of the state, and to substitute declarations in lieu there of and for the more entire suppression of voluntary and extra judicial oaths and affidavits and to make other provisions for the abolition of unnecessary oaths. And of a Byelaw of the said Corporation made under the provision of the same Act on the 12th day of November 1867.
Resolved that the Superintendent be authorised to agree to the stipulation as contained in his letter of the 11th inst. See resolution of the Court of the 15th October last in respect of the mining fields of Gildersdale and Whitlow.

19th November 1867 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 2171 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £590 4s 10d.
Sold James & Shakespeare 10000 pieces of common lead at £19 15s ton delivered in the Thames.

10th December 1867 LLC 31

The sum of £50 was contributed towards the rebuilding of Stanhope schoolhouse.

17th December 1867 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 5914 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £1604 15s 9d.

30th December 1867 LLC 39

A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants

The following persons were duly elected

Mr Octavius Wigram Governor
Mr John William Birch Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay	Mr Herbert Barnard
Mr Isaac Braithwaite	Mr George Wodehouse Currie
Mr Henry Hucks Gibbs	Mr William Gladstone
Mr Edward Masterman	Mr Charles Henry Mills
Mr David Simpson Morice	Mr Henry Tritton

31st December 1867 LLC 31

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton delivered to Stockton.

7th January 1868 LLC 31

The Company seal was affixed to the counterpart of the lease for Stanhope Burn Smelt Mill.

14th January 1868 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 4004 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £1086 10s 1d.
Sold S & W Tudor 500 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton delivered to Stockton, and 1500 pieces of refined lead at £20 10s ton delivered to Newcastle.
Sold Grey & Marten 5 tons of best litharge at £21 10s ton.

25th January 1868 LLC 31

Affixed the Company seal to a petition to Parliament against the Rating of Mines Bill.

11th February 1868 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 4426 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £1201 0s 3d.
Sold James & Shakespeare 12000 pieces of common lead at £19 5s on board ship at Newcastle, shipping 100 tons per month.

18th February 1868 LLC 31

Mr Bainbridge was authorised to agree for a renewal of the lease of Mr Bowes, Yorkshire mineral field upon the terms specified in his (Mr Bainbridge) letter of the 17th inst.

25th February 1868 LLC 31

Sold Foster, Blackett & Wilson 8000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton delivered to Newcastle.

10th March 1868 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 5139 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £1394 9s 9d.

Sold Grey & Marten 10000 pieces of refined lead at £20 10s ton delivered to Stockton.

The secretary be authorised to sign a memorial to the Home Secretary in respect of the Gunpowder Magazines at Dufton and Hilton as suggested by Mr R W Bainbridge.

17th March 1868 LLC 31

Sold James & Shakespeare 5 tons of refined lead at £20 15s ton delivered to Stockton.

31st March 1868 LLC 31

Sold James & Shakespeare 16000 pieces of common lead at £19 5s ton delivered on board at Newcastle, 100 tons per month.

31st March 1868 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Governor and Court of Assistants regret to have to lay before their Proprietors a less favourable statement of the results of their operations for the past year, than those, which they have had the pleasure to present for several years preceding.

In the report which they made to the Proprietors in March 1867 they referred to the dullness of the lead trade in common with all other branches of commerce from the commencement of their current financial year November 1866, and the continuance of the universal stagnation of trade since that period is so well known that the Proprietors cannot be surprised to learn that the profits of this Company have been correspondingly affected.

In the year ending 31st October 1866 the sales effected by the Company were not quite equal to the produce from the mines within the year, but the average price obtained from the sales during that year was good, and the result of the years operations under all circumstances satisfactory, but in the following year however, ending 31st October 1867 the amount of their total sales was only about two thirds of the produce of that year, and these sales could only be effected at a reduction on previous prices. This want of demand has ensured a considerable augmentation of the stock in hand, which of course tells unfavourably on the amounts now presented.

Since the beginning of the current year a somewhat better tone has prevailed and up to the present time, the Court have been enabled to sell a fair quantity of lead but they have been obliged to submit to a reduction in their prices below those of last year.

There is still great difficulty in disposing of their best quality or Refined lead for which in former years there has been a steady demand, and from which the Company derived a considerable portion of their profits.

The result of these circumstances is that the accounts now submitted to the Proprietors for the year ending 31st October last show only a small amount of profit available for a dividend; but the regular reports the Court receives from the North on the state of the mines and works continue of a satisfactory character, so that with returning briskness of trade, and average prices the Court hope they may look for a return of remunerative business.

Legislation has of late been busy in improving regulations in regard to the pollution of rivers and other sanitary precautions and our establishments have been visited by the Inspectors of Salmon Fisheries, who found little to object to, but made some suggestions, which are being attended to.

A subject however of far more importance to the Company, and one which has for a long time engaged the anxious attention of the Court is the repeated introduction into Parliament of a Bill subjecting (amongst other property) lead mines to the Poor Rate, an impost from which

they have hitherto been exempted on account of the risk and uncertainty attending lead mining adventure.

The Bill has been reintroduced during the present session and the Court felt it their duty to present a petition against it under the Common seal of the Corporation, but there is too much reason of fear that it will pass into law.

To counter balance these disadvantages the Court have principally to look for a greater liberality on the part of their landlords in reducing the Dues (which have already been accorded to them in several instances) and to the improvement of their processes and the general economy of the concern to which the attention of the Company agents are constantly directed.

The Court are happy to be able to continue to report favourably of the general good conduct of the large body of men in their employment, and of their general well doing. The Agents and other officers remain in the Company's employment with very few changes, and from this experience and long service, are capable of presenting its interests to the utmost.

The Company's schools still under the same masters maintain the high character for efficiency, which they have long enjoyed.

The Court of Assistants recommend that the usual dividend of 10s per share be made to the Proprietors for the half year ending Ladyday last, without any deduction for Income Tax.

7th April 1868 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 4759 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £1293 17s 1d.
Sold Locke Blackett & Co 7500 pieces of Nenthead refined lead at £20 ton delivered to Blaydon.

14th April 1868 LLC 31

Received a certificate from the Home Office for the Company's Gunpowder houses at Hilton and Dufton to be continued in their present situations.

28th April 1868 LLC 31

The Superintendent was authorised to enter into an agreement with his Grace the Duke of Cleveland for the several arrangements in Teesdale.

Also with the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in like manner for those in Bollyhope &c.

5th May 1868 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 4419 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £1203 14s 4d.

30th June 1868 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 1913 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £519 2s 0d.

21st July 1868 LLC 31

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 5000 pieces of refined lead at £19 15s ton delivered to Stockton.

Sold Grey & Marten all the slag lead in stock and that will be made up to 31st October next at £15 ton.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 3000 pieces of Nenthead refined lead at £19 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.

28th July 1868 LLC 31

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 2000 pieces of Nenthead refined lead at £19 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.

Mr Bainbridge's Bargain lists and report of the state of the mines for May and June were read and confirmed and the Court view with satisfaction the report of the present state of the mines generally and have only to regret the state of the lead market should be so adverse to the prosperity of the Company.

25th August 1868 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 1706 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £462 0s 10d.
Sold Brandram Brothers & Co 10 tons best flake litharge at £21 ton.

15th September 1868 LLC 31

The Superintendent be authorised to send his son Mr. Henry G Bainbridge to visit from time to time the principle establishments in the trade, as he may deem desirable.

22nd September 1868 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 7333 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £1986 0s 5d.
Sold Locke Blackett & Co 2000 pieces of Nenthead refined lead at £19 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.

29th September 1868 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

The Court of Assistants recommend that a dividend of 10 shillings per share be made to the proprietors for the half year ending at Michaelmas next, without any deduction for income tax.

6th October 1868 LLC 31

Sold James & Shakespeare 1000 pieces of refined lead at £20 2s 6d ton delivered in the Thames.
Sold S & W Tudor 3000 pieces of refined lead at £19 5s ton delivered to Stockton.

13th October 1868 LLC 31

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of common lead at £18 15s ton delivered to Blaydon.

20th October 1868 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 5110 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £1383 19s 2d.

27th October 1868 LLC 31

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 5000 pieces of refined lead at £19 15s ton delivered to Stockton, and 2000 pieces of common lead at £18 15s ton delivered to Blaydon.

3rd November 1868 LLC 31

Sold Champion Hankey 10000 pieces of refined lead at £19 15s ton delivered to Newcastle, and 6000 pieces of refined lead at £19 15s ton delivered to Stockton.
Sold Locke Blackett & Co 3000 pieces of Nenthead refined lead at £19 15s ton delivered to Blaydon.

10th November 1868 LLC 31

£5 subscribed to the Barnard Castle Highway Board for a new Iron bridge over the Beck at Herdship near Ashgill Head.

17th November 1868 LLC 31

Sold Myhill & Son 1282 oz of fine silver at 5/5 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £348 10s 11d.
Sold Grey & Marten 5000 pieces of refined lead at £19 15s ton delivered to Newcastle.
Subscribed a further £10 towards the new schoolhouse at Stanhope.

24th November 1868 LLC 31

Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £19 18s ton delivered to Newcastle.

15th December 1868 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 5489 oz of fine silver at 5/5 5/8 an oz, they paid the company £1500 17s 11d.

22nd December 1868 LLC 31

The Company's seal was affixed to the counterpart of a lease from John Bowes Esq. of his lead mines in Yorkshire.

29th December 1868 LLC 31

Sold 800 pieces of silver slag lead at £17 17s 6d ton to W I Cookson & Co.

Sold S & W Tudor 3000 pieces of Nenthead refined lead at £19 15s ton delivered to Blaydon.

Mr Bainbridge was authorised to conclude arrangements with the Dukes agents without pressing further the subject of the poor rate if he find it necessary to do so.

5th January 1869 LLC 39**A General Court to elect a Governor, Deputy Governor and 10 Assistants**

The following persons were duly elected

Mr John William Birch Governor

Mr Henry Tritton Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Henry Ford Barclay

Mr John Garrett Cattley

Mr Henry Hucks Gibbs

Mr Edward Masterman

Mr David Simpson Morice

Mr Herbert Barnard

Mr George Wodehouse Currie

Mr William Gladstone

Mr Charles Henry Mills

Mr Octavius Wigram

12th January 1869 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 2749 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £750 4s 11d.

9th February 1869 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 3306 oz of fine silver at 5/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £903 19s 11d.

16th February 1869 LLC 31

Sold James & Shakespeare 1000 pieces of refined lead at £20 2s 6d ton on board at Newcastle.

The Company's seal was fixed to the Deed and counterpart between the Ecclesiastical Commission and the Company's attorney in favour of the Company the terms under which the lead mines in the Bollyhope tract are held, and demising to them the copper ore in the same tract, such copper ore being intermixed with the Company's lead ore.

23rd February 1869 LLC 31

The Superintendent was authorised to spend up to £80 in making an enclosed yard at Romalldkirk Railway Station.

2nd March 1869 LLC 31

Sold Horner & Fell of Skipton 2000 pieces of common lead at £19 3s ton delivered to Skipton station.

9th March 1869 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 4705 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £1284 1s 5d.

16th March 1849 LLC 31

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £18 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £18 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.

Sold Kebbel Shepherd 4000 pieces of refined lead at £19 15s ton delivered to Stockton.

Sold S & W Tudor 4000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £19 15s ton delivered to Blaydon.

23rd March 1869 LLC 31

Sold James & Shakespeare 7000 pieces of common lead at £18 17s ton on board at Newcastle.
Sold James & Co 1000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £19 15s ton.

30th March 1869 LLC 39**Half Yearly General Court**

Were it not for the greatly reduced price of lead to which reference was made in last years report, the operations for the year ending 31st October 1868 would have been fairly satisfactory.

The ore raised amounted to 23,821 Bings being about equal to 6,600 tons of lead, and the sales effected 6,045 tons but the prices obtained show a very great reduction on previous years.

The average of the year referred to being £19 11s 4d a ton against £21 10s 11d in 1867 and £20 16s 6d as the medium of 5 years 1863/67. This falling off in the value of our own

produce is a very serious matter as to a certain extent it must be attributed to the fact that of the late years many of the principle lead merchants have increased their own refining operations and with the scientific improvements which have been introduced many ores are being used for the manufacture of White lead which formerly would have been rejected.

The reduction in the rates of Royalty, or Duty ore, which have been obtained from Lords of the Manor, will in time the Court trusts be a considerable assistance to the Company's operations, and the present low price of lead as compared with late years has doubtless been one of the chief reasons which have weighed with our lessors in agreeing to these reductions, as however some of them are prospective the effect will not be fully felt for some time to come.

One favourable feature in our operations, it is right we should mention as a proof that any improvements which experience has pointed out as conducive to economy in the cost of production are adopted at our works.

In former years the standard of calculation for the yield of the Company's ore was about 4 Bings to the Fother of lead, but from economy principally in the smelting operations it is now found that 3 Bings 6 cwt is ample, and indeed a further saving is evinced in our operations for the past year.

The Bill for the Rating of mines referred to in the previous years report did not pass in the last session of Parliament, but the probability of the provisions of such a Bill sooner or later becoming law is not lost sight of in our negotiations for the renewal of leases.

The Court have the satisfaction to inform the Proprietors that since the meeting in March last year, an Act of Parliament has been passed, doing away with the necessity save in special cases of taking the oath of supremacy in matters connected with Corporations such as the Lead Company.

In conclusion the Court have the pleasure to inform the Proprietors that the conduct of the large number of workmen employed by the Company continues to be most satisfactory, and that the schools are in their usual state of efficiency.

The result of our operations ending 31st October 1868 shows a profit equal to or slightly over 30 shillings per share.

The Court therefore recommend that the usual dividend of 10s per share be made to the Proprietors for the half year ending Ladyday last, without any deduction for Income Tax. Also that an extra dividend of 10s per share for the year be made without any deduction for Income Tax.

6th April 1869 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 4087 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £1111 3s 0d.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 3000 pieces of common lead at £18 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold James & Shakespeare 6000 pieces of common lead at £18 17s ton on board at Newcastle.

13th April 1869 LLC 31

Sold Horner & Fell 4000 pieces of common lead at £19 3s ton delivered to Skipton.

4th May 1869 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 4904 oz of fine silver at 5/5 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £1333 5s 6d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 12000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £19 10s ton.

25th May 1869 LLC 31

Sold Messrs Adkins 500 pieces of Stanhope refined lead at £19 8s ton delivered to Stanhope.

1st June 1869 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 4698 oz of fine silver at 5/4 3/4 an oz, they paid the company £1267 9s 7d.

22nd June 1869 LLC 31

The Company seal was fixed to the surrender of the existing leases from the Duke of Cleveland of lead mines in Middleton Teesdale, and Gaunless Mill, preliminary to the grant of new leases by the Duke at reduced Royalties.

29th June 1869 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 2930 oz of fine silver at 5/4 7/8 an oz, they paid the company £792 0s 4d.

13th July 1869 LLC 31

A letter was written to R W Bainbridge with reference to Admiral Eliotts proposal respecting a lease of the mining Manors of Mallerstang.

20th July 1869 LLC 31

Affixed the Company seal to the counterpart of New leases at Reduced Royalties from the Duke of Cleveland for the mines in Middleton Teesdale and Gaunless Lead mill, numbered respectively 1, 2, 3, and 5.

27th July 1869 LLC 31

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 8000 pieces of common lead at £18 5s ton, and 2000 pieces of Eggleston refined lead at £19 5s ton delivered to Blaydon.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 8000 pieces of common lead at £18 5s ton, and 8000 pieces of Stanhope & Eggleston refined lead at £19 5s ton delivered to Blaydon.

10th August 1869 LLC 31

Sales of lead in the North reported by C E Bainbridge: Hurst & Cooke 600 pieces of common lead at £18 12s ton delivered to Hull.

James and Co 1000 pieces of common lead at £18 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.

17th August 1869 LLC 31

Sold S & W Tudor 3000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £19 10s ton.

24th August 1869 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 4867 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £1318 2s 10d. The admiralty had agreed to grant a new lease of the Nenthead & Garrigill mines at a Royalty of 1/12th for lead and 1/15th for copper.

21st September 1869 LLC 31

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 15000 pieces of refined lead at £19 5s ton.

Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £19 5s ton.

James & Co 2000 pieces of common lead at £18 10s ton; all three sales delivered to Stockton.

28th September 1869 LLC 31

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 3500 pieces of common lead at £18 5s ton, and 1500 pieces of refined lead at £19 5s ton delivered to Blaydon.

Sold Locke Blackett & co 10500 pieces of common lead at £18 5s ton, and 4500 pieces of refined lead at £19 5s ton delivered to Blaydon.

The sum of two hundred guineas was presented to Mr. William Wallace on his leaving the Company's service at Michaelmas instant.

19th October 1869 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 4114 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £1118 9s 10d.

26th October 1869 LLC 31

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 10000 pieces of refined lead at £19 5s ton delivered to

Stockton. Sold Walker Parker & Co 1000 pieces of slag lead at £15 ton delivered to Blaydon.

Sold Horner & Fell 400 pieces of slag lead delivered to Skipton.

2nd November 1869 LLC 31

Sold James & Co 1000 pieces of refined lead at £19 10s ton.

9th November 1869 LLC 31

Sold Hurst & Cooke & Co 300 pieces of common lead at £18 14s ton delivered to Hull.

16th November 1869 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 3353 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £913 6s 10d.

23rd November 1869 LLC 31

Sold Kebbel & Co 6000 pieces of refined lead at £19 5s ton delivered to Stockton.

30th November 1869 LLC 31

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 6000 pieces of common lead at £18 5s ton delivered to Blaydon.

14th December 1869 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 6402 oz of fine silver at 5/53/16 an oz, they paid the company £1738 17s 6d.

4th January 1870 LLC 31

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten Assistants was read.

Mr John William Birch Governor
Mr Henry Tritton Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr William Gladstone
Mr Herbert Barnard
Mr Henry Hucks Gibbs
Mr John Garrett Cattley
Mr Charles Henry Mills

Mr Henry Ford Barclay
Mr David Simpson Morice
Mr William Knox Wigram
Mr Isaac Braithwaite
Mr George Wodhouse Currie

11th January 1870 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 1495 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £406 9s 0d.

Sold James & Co 1000 pieces of Eggleston refined lead at £19 10s ton.

18th January 1870 LLC 31

The seal of the Company was fixed to the Deed of Conveyance of a piece of land or building site situated at Snaigill in the Parish of Middleton in Teesdale to James Forster, the sale was authorised 1st October 1867.

25th January 1870 LLC 31

Sold Grey & Marten 2000 pieces of refined lead at £19 10s ton delivered to Stockton.
Sold James & Shakespeare 5000 pieces of common lead at £18 12s 6d ton free on board at Newcastle.

1st February 1870 LLC 31

Authorised a subscription of £80 to the improvement of the road between Eggleston and Romalldkirk.

8th February 1870 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 3345 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £909 8s 5d.
Sold S & W Tudor 3000 pieces of refined lead at £19 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold James & Co 2000 pieces of common lead at £18 5s ton.

15th February 1870 LLC 31

Resolved that the petition sent up to the Court from the Westmorland workers who have been suspended from the Company's works on account of the poverty of the Westmorland mines be agreed to upon the terms set forth in a letter to Mr Bainbridge this day.

22nd February 1870 LLC 31

Sold Lewis Lazarus & Sons 2 pieces of common lead at £18 5s ton, and 2 pieces of slag lead at £15 ton as a sample.
Sold Horner & Fell 660 pieces of slag lead at £15 7s ton delivered to Skipton.

1st March 1870 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 2128 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £577 8s 10d.

8th March 1870 LLC 31

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £18 ton, and 2500 pieces of refined lead at £19 2s 6d ton delivered to Blaydon.

29th March 1870 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 3219 oz of fine silver at 5/53/16 an oz, they paid the company £874 6s 6d.

12th April 1870 LLC 31

Sold Adkins & Co 1000 pieces of Stanhope refined lead at £20 4s ton delivered to Smethwicks (equal to £19 10s ton at Blaydon).

17th May 1870 LLC 31

Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £19 ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold Champion Hankey & Co 10000 pieces of refined lead at £19 ton delivered to Stockton.
Sold Grey & Marten 1000 pieces of common lead delivered to the Thames.

24th May 1870 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 5057 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £1374 17s 5d.

7th June 1870 LLC 31

Sold S & W Tudor 3000 pieces of refined lead at £19 5s ton delivered to Hull.
A letter was sent to Mr Bainbridge as a preliminary step in the consideration of necessary retrenchments in the expenditure of the Company.

14th June 1870 LLC 31

Sold James & Shakespeare 3000 pieces of common lead at £18 5s ton free on board at Newcastle.

21st June 1870 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 3855 oz of fine silver at 5/53/16 an oz, they paid the company £1046 7s 10d.

James and Shakespeare increased their order of the 11th inst. (*Minutes 14th June*) by a further 30 tons.

28th June 1870 LLC 31

James & Shakespeare increased their order of the 11th inst. by another 60 tons.
Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 30 tons of common litharge at £19 ton delivered to Blaydon.

19th July 1870 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 5232 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £1427 18s 0d.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £19 ton delivered to Blaydon.

26th July 1870 LLC 31

Sold Walker Parker & Co 6000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton delivered to Blaydon
Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton delivered to Blaydon.
Affixed the Company seal to the deed of conveyance of a building site near Nenthead part of the Cherry Tree Hill Estate. The sale had been authorised by the Deputation of 1866.

2nd August 1870 LLC 31

Sold S & W Tudor 3000 pieces of refined lead at £21 15s delivered to Hull.
Sold Grey & Marten 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.

16th August 1870 LLC 31

Sold Johnson Mathey 2200 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £595 16s 8d.

13th September 1870 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 4009 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £1087 17s 2d.

20th September 1870 LLC 32

Resolved that Mr Bainbridge be directed to state in writing in detail for the information of the Board the effect of placing our schools under the operation of the recent Elementary Education Act, especially how far it would necessitate a change in our present rules and practice.

4th October 1870 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 3428 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £920 12s 10d.

11th October 1870 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 7151 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £1940 9s 1d.

18th October 1870 LLC 32

Mr. Bainbridge instructed to sell by public auction Dufton House and land.

25th October 1870 LLC 32

Sold Adkins & Co 1000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.

8th November 1870 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 2356 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £641 15s 3d.

8th November 1870 LLC 32

The seal of the Company affixed to the Counterpart of a new lease at a reduced Royalty from the Duke of Cleveland to the Company of mining ground called Ashgill Head in the Manor of Middleton Teesdale in the County of Durham.

22nd November 1870 LLC 32

Sold Adkins & Co 1000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.

Sold James & Shakespeare 7200 pieces of common lead at £18 4s ton delivered free on board at Newcastle.

29th November 1870 LLC 32

Mr. Charles Edward Bainbridge is appointed as Manager of Mills, Washing Rakes and Counting houses his salary to be increased £50 a year from the date of his appointment making it £150 to fill the place of his brother deceased.

6th December 1870 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 4123 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £1118 15s 10d.

13th December 1870 LLC 32

Sold Messrs Cookson 230 pieces of slag lead at £15 10s ton delivered to Newcastle.

27th December 1870 LLC 32

Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £20 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.

3rd January 1871 LLC 32

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten Assistants was read.

Mr John William Birch Governor
Mr Henry Tritton Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr William Gladstone
Mr Herbert Barnard
Mr Henry Hucks Gibbs
Mr John Garrett Cattley
Mr Charles Henry Mills

Mr Edward Masterman
Mr David Simpson Morice
Mr William Knox Wigram
Mr Isaac Braithwaite
Mr George Wodhouse Currie

Sold Johnson Mathey 1862 oz of fine silver at 5/55/16 an oz, they paid the company £506 14s 3d.

Sold Lewis Lazarus Sons 258 pieces of slag lead at £15 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.

Resolved that Thomas Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £400.

Resolved that the allowance of £300 for the present year to be made to Mr Charles Deane late Secretary.

17th January 1871 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 2008 oz of fine silver at 5/55/16 an oz, they paid the company £546 8s 11d.

24th January 1871 LLC 32

Sold Walker Parker & Co 12000 pieces of common lead at £17 5s ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold Locke Blackett & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £17 5s ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold Lewis Lazarus & Sons 95 pieces of slag lead at £15 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold Adkins & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £21 4s ton delivered to Blaydon.

31st January 1871 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 3416 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £928 14s 6d.

The Probate of the will of Edward Wigram late of No 11 Hyde Park Place in the County of Middlesex, granted to The Reverend Frederick Edward Wigram, the son of the deceased dated 19th January 1871 was exhibited & allowed.

28th February 1871 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 6671 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £1813 13s 7d.

14th March 1871 LLC 32

Sold Walker Parker & Co 6000 pieces of refined lead at £20 5s ton delivered to Newcastle.
Sold Henry Grace 2000 pieces of refined lead at £20 5s ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 30 tons of common litharge at £19 ton delivered to Blaydon.

21st March 1871 LLC 32

Sold Walker Parker & Co 6000 pieces of common lead at £18 ton delivered to Redheugh Station Newcastle.
Affixed the seal to the deed of conveyance of Dufton House property sold to Mr. Thomas Teesdale.

28th March 1871 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 8349 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £2261 3s 9d.

4th April 1871 LLC 32

Sold Grey & Marten 2000 pieces of refined lead at £20 5s ton delivered to Blaydon.

11th April 1871 LLC 32

Sold James & Shakespeare 7200 pieces of common lead at £18 10s ton on board at Newcastle.

25th April 1871 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 5288 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £1432 3s 4d.

2nd May 1871 LLC 32

Sold James & Shakespeare 600 pieces of common lead at £18 10s ton delivered on board at Newcastle.

16th May 1871 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 2027 oz of fine silver at 5/415/16 an oz, they paid the company £548 8s 11d.

23rd May 1871 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 2677 oz of fine silver at 5/5 an oz, they paid the company £725 0s 5d.

30th May 1871 LLC 32

Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £19 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold Henry Grace 3000 pieces of refined lead at £19 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold Thomas Adkins 2000 pieces refined lead at £20 10s ton at Smethwicks.
Sold Locke Blackett & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £19 10s ton delivered to Newcastle.

13th June 1871 LLC 32

Sold Walker Parker & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £19 10s ton, and 4000 pieces of common lead at £17 15s ton delivered to Redheugh station.
Sold John Warwick 10 tons of slag lead at £16 ton.

20th June 1871 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 4437 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £1203 19s 11d.
Sold Osgood Field 4000 pieces of refined lead at £19 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.

4th July 1871 LLC 32

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £19 10s ton delivered to Stockton.
Sold Locke Blackett & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £19 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.

11th July 1871 LLC 32

Sold James & Shakespeare 2000 pieces of refined lead at £19 15s ton free on board at Newcastle.
Sold Champion Hankey & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £19 10s ton delivered to Stockton.
Sold Osgood Field 3000 pieces of refined lead at £19 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.

18th July 1871 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 2912 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £791 14s 0d.

25th July 1871 LLC 32

Sold James & Co 100 ton of common lead at £17 15s ton delivered to Blaydon.

8th August 1871 LLC 32

Sold Osgood Field 4000 pieces of common lead at £17 15s ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold Grey & Marten 5 tons of common litharge at £19 10s ton and 5 tons of best litharge at £20 10s ton. Sold Brandram & Co 5 tons of common litharge at £19 10s ton.

15th August 1871 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 5641 oz of fine silver at 5/57/16 an oz, they paid the company £1538 1s 0d.
Sold Walker Parker & Co 12000 pieces of common lead at £17 15s ton delivered to Redheugh station.

29th August 1871 LLC 32

Sold James & Shakespeare 8000 pieces of refined lead at £20 5s ton free on board at Newcastle. Sold John Warwick 20 tons of slag lead at £16 ton.

12th September 1871 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 5346 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £1459 0s 3d.

19th September 1871 LLC 32

Sold Grey & Marten 500 pieces of slag lead at £16 ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £20 ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold Walker Parker & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £20 ton delivered to Redheugh station.

26th September 1871 LLC 32

Sold James & Shakespeare 7200 pieces of common lead at £18 5s ton on board at Newcastle.
A further £25 was subscribed to the building fund of the new Wesleyan Chapel at Middleton.

3rd October 1871 LLC 32

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 30 tons of common litharge at £19 ton delivered at Blaydon.

10th October 1871 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Matthey 9400 oz of fine silver at 5/51/16 an oz, they paid the company £2548 5s 7d.

17th October 1871 LLC 32

Sold Henry Grace 4000 pieces of refined lead at £20 5s ton delivered to Blaydon.

31st October 1871 LLC 32

Sold Walker Parker & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £20 5s ton and 4000 pieces of common lead at £18 ton delivered to Redheugh station.
Sold Grey & Marten 3000 pieces of refined lead at £20 5s ton delivered to Stockton.

7th November 1871 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Matthey 3187 oz of fine silver at 5/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £868 2s 5d.

21st November 1871 LLC 32

Sold Walker Parker & Co 8000 pieces of common lead at £18 ton delivered to Redheugh station.
The application of William Redfern to purchase a piece of land, part of the Snaigill plantation on which to build a cottage was granted.

5th December 1871 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Matthey 6873 oz of fine silver at 5/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £1879 6s 8d.

12th December 1871 LLC 32

A pension of £15 a year be granted to the widow of the late Joseph Hetherington Mine Overman in Westmoreland.

19th December 1871 LLC 32

Sold Horner & Fell 2000 pieces of common lead at £18 6s 6d delivered to Skipton.
Sold Osgood Field 6000 pieces of refined lead at £20 5s ton, and 6000 pieces of common lead (*changed to refined 23rd April 1872*) at £18 ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 30 tons litharge at £19 ton delivered to Blaydon, and 8000 pieces of common lead at £18 ton delivered to Stockton.

28th December 1871 LLC 32

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten Assistants was read.

Mr John William Birch Governor

Mr Henry Tritton Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Edward Masterman
Mr Herbert Barnard
Mr Henry Hucks Gibbs
Mr John Garrett Cattley
Mr Charles Henry Mills

Mr Henry Ford Barclay
Mr David Simpson Morice
Mr William Knox Wigram
Mr Isaac Braithwaite
Mr George Wodhouse Currie

Resolved that the Secretary Thomas Elliot be continued in his office of Secretary and Accountant at his present salary until his resignation already sent in shall take effect.
Resolved that the allowance of £300 for the present year to be made to Mr Charles Deane late Secretary.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 6000 pieces of common lead at £18 ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold Austin Wood 100 pieces of slag lead at £18 ton delivered to the Thames.
Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £18 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold James & Shakespeare 1000 pieces of common lead at £18 10s ton on board at Newcastle.
Sold Osgood Field 6000 pieces of refined lead at £20 15s ton, and 6000 pieces of common lead (*changed to refined 23rd April 1872*) at £18 ton delivered to Blaydon.

2nd January 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 4474 oz of fine silver at 5/51/4 an oz, they paid the company £1216 7s 4d.

30th January 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 8627 oz of fine silver at 5/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £2358 19s 0d.

John Elliot was appointed provisional secretary and accountant (in the place of his father deceased) until the next annual election of officers at the rate of £300 per annum and £50 per annum for coals and candles and for the maintenance of a second female servant in the house. A gift of land was given to the trustees of the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel at Nenthead for the required enlargement of the building.

6th February 1872 LLC 32

The seal of the Company was affixed to the Counterpart of a new lease at a reduced Royalty from the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital to the Company of the Nenthead and Garrigill mines.

28th February 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 5730 oz of fine silver at 5/513/16 an oz, they paid the company £1571 5s 5d.

Sold Grey & Marten 20 tons common litharge at £20 ton delivered to Blaydon.

The secretary was instructed to forward a copy of the Metalliferous Mines Regulation Bill to Mr. R W Bainbridge for his consideration.

5th March 1872 LLC 32

Sold Walker Parker & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton, and 4000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton delivered to Redheugh station.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 4000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton.

12th March 1872 LLC 32

Sold Walker Parker & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £21 ton delivered to Redheugh station.

The seal of the Company be affixed to a Deed of Covenant to surrender premises to Mr Anthony Bolton and others, situated in the Butts Stanhope. And also to the six surrenders to the purchasers named in the said deed.

19th March 1872 LLC 32

Sold John Warwick 30 tons of hard slag at £17 5s ton delivered to Wallsend.

26th March 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 2857 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £775 10s 3d.

Sold David Taylor & Sons 6000 pieces of common lead at £20 ton on board at Newcastle.

2nd April 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 2701 oz of fine silver at 5/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £737 2s 11d.

16th April 1872 LLC 32

Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton delivered to Blaydon. Mr Bainbridge was authorised to accept a lease of Mallerstang in accordance with the recommendation contained in his Bargain report of 30th March last and letter of 15th inst.

30th April 1872 LLC 32

The seal of the Company was affixed to a deed of conveyance of Guddamgill to Mr. Jacob Walton, also to an assignment of leasehold closes of land situated at Foulard to Mr. Pearson Walton and to an assignment of a close of land called Black Hill allotment to Messrs. Henry Joseph and Matthew Stephenson all situated near Nenthead.

14th May 1872 LLC 32

Sold Grey & Marten 10 tons of common litharge at £21 ton, and 3 ton of best litharge at £22 10s ton.

The Governor laid before the Court his correspondence with Mr. Bainbridge with reference to the petition of the Company's Teesdale miners for an increase of 2/6 per week in the subsistence money.

Resolved that the same be granted and that the Governor inform Mr. Bainbridge that the Court agree to the Subsistence money being fixed at the rate of 54/- per month subject to whatever precautions may be found necessary to protect the Company from loss through over advances.

21st May 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 6734 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £1820 5s 8d.

The Governor communicated further with Mr. Bainbridge on the subject of the miner's petition for an increase of subsistence money and the demand for an increase of wages on the part of others in the Company employ.

4th June 1872 LLC 32

Sold Osgood Field & Co 14 tons of slag lead at £18 ton.

The Governor and Mr. Wigram were thanked for undertaking the visit to the North in order to communicate with the Company's workmen with reference to their complaints and application for increased wages.

11th June 1872 LLC 32

Sold S & W Tudor 2000 pieces of refined lead at £23 5s ton delivered to Hull.

A letter from William Parkin dated June 7th requesting an interview for a deputation with reference to the miners strike in Teesdale was read.

Resolved that the secretary be ordered to write a letter in reply refusing the request. The Governor and Mr. Wigram having visited the North recently with the special object of enquiring into said strike.

18th June 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 2731 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £738 4s 6d.

16th July 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 5054 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £1366 3s 2d. Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton delivered to Blaydon.

23rd July 1872 LLC 32

Sold Samuel Christie Miller 250 ounces of silver at 5/47/8 oz value £67 11s 7d

30th July 1872 LLC 32

Sold Isaac Braithwaite 723/4 ounces of silver at 5/47/8 oz value £19 13s 3d.
Sold Sankey White Lead Co 20 tons common litharge at £21 8s 6d ton.
Sold Austin Wood 5 tons Hard slag lead at £19 ton.

13th August 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 4530 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £1224 10s 4d.

The shooting over the Priorsdale Manor for the present season was let to Mr. Walton for £200.

20th August 1872 LLC 32

Sold Samuel Christie Miller 278 ounces of silver at 5/47/8 oz value £75 3s 0d

27th August 1872 LLC 32

Sold Walker Parker & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £22 10s ton, and 8000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton delivered to Redheugh station.
The secretary was instructed to write to the Secretary of the Education Department with reference to the examination of the school and schoolmaster at Nenthead with a view to Mr. Hyslop's application for a certificate.

3rd September 1872 LLC 32

Sold Grey & Marten 100 tons of common litharge at £21 10s ton.

10th September 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 6765 oz of fine silver at 5/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £1835 14s 3d.

Sold Grey & Marten 10 tons of common litharge at £21 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.

24th September 1872 LLC 32

Mr. John Hyslop of Nenthead school having notified to Mr. Bainbridge that in the event of his being required to go up for examination for a certificate in December next, application must be made before the 1st October. The Court had under consideration a communication from the Education Department dated 30 August last wherein it is stated that the Education Department cannot provide for the examination of the teacher of a school for a certificate unless the school is to be conducted as a Public Elementary School. The Court resolved that they are not prepared at the present moment to say that Nenthead School shall henceforth be conducted as a Public Elementary School and that Mr. John Hyslop shall not be requested to present himself for examination in December next.

8th October 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 5366 oz of fine silver at 5/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £1450 10s 0d.

23rd October 1872 LLC 32

Sold Locke & Lancaster 20 tons best litharge at £23 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold John Warrick 25 tons slag lead at £18 5s ton delivered to Wallsend.

29th October 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 1789 oz of fine silver at 5/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £482 13s 2d.

Sold Osgood Field 12000 pieces of refined lead at £22 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold Champion Hankey & Co 6000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton delivered to Stockton.
Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton delivered to Blaydon.

5th November 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 2210 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £595 1s 9d.
Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton delivered to Redheugh station.

Sold Osgood Field 100 tons common flake litharge at £22 ton delivered to Blaydon.
Sold John Ismay & Co 100 tons refined lead at £23 ton.

19th November 1872 LLC 32

Sold Grey & Marten 2000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton delivered to Stockton.

26th November 1872 LLC 32

Sold Grey & Martin 20 tons common litharge at £22 10s ton delivered to Blaydon.
Mr. Bainbridge's report on the position and prospects of the Company's mines in Alston Moor having been taken into consideration, a letter was written him on this subject.

3rd December 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 2951.5 oz of fine silver at 5/45/16 an oz, they paid the company £790 18s 2d.

Sold Osgood Field 138 pieces of slag lead at £19 ton delivered to Blaydon.

10th December 1872 LLC 32

Sold Samuel Christie Miller 200.5 ounces of silver at 5/45/16 oz value £53 14s 6d
Sold Osgood Field 500 pieces of slag lead at £19 ton delivered to Blaydon.

17th December 1872 LLC 32

Sold Robert Dale & Co 10 tons of common litharge at £23 ton delivered to Manchester.

24th December 1872 LLC 32

Sold John Ismay & Co 200 tons of refined lead with delivery 50 tons monthly at the average price of the company's sales of refined lead in the month immediately next preceding.

31st December 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 3235 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £869 8s 2d.

7th January 1873 LLC 32

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten Assistants was read.

Mr John William Birch Governor
Mr Henry Tritton Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Edward Masterman
Mr Herbert Barnard
Mr Samuel Christie Miller
Mr John Garrett Cattley
Sir Charles Henry Mills

Mr Henry Ford Barclay
Mr David Simpson Morice
Mr William Knox Wigram
Mr Isaac Braithwaite
Mr George Wodhouse Currie

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 with an allowance of £50 per annum for coals candles &c. as stipulated in the Resolution of 30th January 1872.

Resolved that the allowance of £300 for the present year to be made to Mr Charles Deane late Secretary.

14th January 1873 LLC 32

The Probate of the will of Charles Mills Baronet late of Lombard Street in the City of London and Camelford House, Park Lane in the County of Middlesex, and Hillingdon Court in the same County, granted to Dame Emily Mills widow the Relict of the deceased and Charles Henry Mills the son dated 21st November 1872 was exhibited & allowed.

21st January 1873 LLC 32

Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of Teesdale refined lead at £24 ton delivered to Blaydon.

Sold John Warrick 5 tons slag lead at £18 15s ton, on the Tyne.

Sold Robert Dale 20 tons common litharge at £23 ton delivered to Manchester. The Superintendent was directed to obtain an estimate from Messrs. Porter & Co. for the erection of the necessary plant for application of gas to the works at Stanhope Mill in accordance with Mr C E Bainbridge's letter to Mr Barnard of 20th January 1873.

28th January 1873 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 4017 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £1081 5s 2d.

Mr. Bainbridge was instructed to accept Messrs. Porter & Co. estimate for the erection of the proposed gas works at Stanhope mill and to sign a contract for that purpose the total outlay not to exceed £650 including excavations, masonry &c.

4th February 1873 LLC 32

Sold Robert Dale 20 tons common litharge at £23 10s ton delivered to Manchester.

Sold Horner & Fell 2000 pieces of common lead at £22 10s ton delivered to Skipton.

11th February 1873 LLC 32

Sold Osgood field 12000 pieces of common lead at £22 ton delivered to Blaydon.

25th February 1873 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 7913 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £2126 12s 4d.

25th March 1873 LLC 32

Resolved that the profit of £4,283 realised from the sale of certain properties (Alston Moor £2,955, Stanhope £728 and Dufton £600) be passed to an account to be entitled " Reserve Fund against depreciation of plant, advance balances due from workmen and other contingencies," and that the sum of £1,500 at present standing at the credit of "Advance Balances For Workmen" also £1,100 standing at the credit of "Dilapidation's of Cottages" be transferred to the same account.

1st April 1873 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 1732 oz of fine silver at 5/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £466 7s 8d.
Sold Robert Dale 20 tons litharge at £24 10s ton delivered to Manchester.

8th April 1873 LLC 32

Sold Robert Dale 20 tons litharge at £24 10s ton delivered to Manchester.

22nd April 1873 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 7879 oz of fine silver at 5/41/2 an oz, they paid the company £2117 9s 7d.

29th April 1873 LLC 32

Sold John Warrick 600 pieces of Slag lead at £21 ton.

The probate of the will of Utrick Bainbridge of Loaning House near Alston in the County of Cumberland Esquire deceased granted to Hannah Bainbridge, widow the Relict of the said deceased, and Robert Walton Bainbridge, brother of said deceased, the executor named in the said will. Under the seal of the District Registry of Carlisle bearing date 9th day of April 1873 was exhibited and registered.

6th May 1873 LLC 32

Sold Risley Bergmann 1 ton of refined lead at £24 ton.

Sold George Strathern 10 tons refined lead at £25 5s ton free on board the Tyne.

Sold Ismay & Co 250 tons of refined lead, same terms as last sale.

Resolved That the unused warrants representing the unclaimed dividends from Ladyday 1836 to Michaelmas 1871 inclusive on 100 shares standing in the names of Robert Aslett, Thomas Durant, Elizabeth Ball alias Shepherd, Susanna Belch, Joseph Bromley, Capt. John Brown, Abraham Coleman, Josiah Colville, John Graham, Gertrude Green, Hugh Grigg, Capt. Benjamin Hodges, Martha Hopkins, James Johnson, Mary Knight, John Pearman, Richard Rose, John Russell, William Russell, Ann Scott and Samuel Stanley be destroyed in the presence of one of the Committee of Accounts.

20th May 1873 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 1741 oz of fine silver at 5/41/4 an oz, they paid the company £466 17s 0d.

Sold Kebbel & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £25 ton delivered to Blaydon.

15th July 1873 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 3860 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £1029 6s 8d.

The Probate of the will of William Gladstone late of No 58 Queens Gate, Prince Albert Road in the Parish of St Mary Abbots, Kensington, and of No 57 ½ Old Broad Street in the City of London granted to Robert Stuart Gladstone, the nephew of the deceased dated 1st July 1873 was exhibited & allowed.

12th August 1873 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 3886 oz of fine silver at 5/315/16 an oz, they paid the company £1035 5s 1d. Sold Samuel Christie Miller 293.75 oz silver at 5/315/16 value £78 5s 2d.

19th August 1873 LLC 32

Sold Grey & Marten 5 tons slag lead at £21 ton.

26th August 1873 LLC 32

Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £24 ton delivered to Blaydon.

2nd September 1873 LLC 32

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £24 ton delivered to Stockton.
 Sold Osgood Field 5000 pieces of refined lead at £24 ton, and 5000 pieces of common lead at £22 ton delivered to Blaydon.
 Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 10000 pieces of common lead delivered to Blaydon.
 Sold Horner & Fell 2000 pieces of common lead at £22 7s 6d ton delivered to Skipton.

9th September 1873 LLC 32

Sold Osgood Field 30 tons of common litharge at £23 ton delivered to Blaydon.

16th September 1873 LLC 32

Sold Horner & Fell 100 tons common lead at £23 7s 6d ton delivered to Skipton.

23rd September 1872 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Matthey 1993 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £530 8s 6d.

21st October 1873 LLC 32

Sold Osgood Field 10000 pieces of common lead at £23 ton delivered to Blaydon.

28th October 1873 LLC 32

Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £25 ton at Blaydon.
 Sold Grey & Marten 20 tons common litharge at £24 15s ton, and 2.5 tons best litharge at £26 ton.
 Sold Champion Hankey & Co 6000 pieces of refined lead at £25 ton at Stockton.
 Sold Grey & Marten 2000 pieces of refined lead at £25 ton at Blaydon.

4th November 1873 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Matthey 1268 oz of fine silver at 5/31/8 an oz, they paid the company £333 10s 3d.
 Sold Ismay & Co 300 tons refined lead same terms as last contract.
 Sold Horner & Fell 50 tons common lead at £24 7s 6d ton at Skipton.

2nd December 1873 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Matthey 6424 oz of fine silver at 5/23/4 an oz, they paid the company £1678 19s 0d.

The Court having had under consideration Mr Bainbridge's letter to the Governor dated 24th November in which he enclosed a list of proposed increase of salaries of the Company's agents &c. in the North.

Resolved that the increase of salaries be allowed, and that Mr Bainbridge be informed thereof.

23rd December 1873 LLC 32

The Governor submitted a copy of an advertisement, which he had authorised Mr Bainbridge to insert in the Northern papers for a Medical man to fill Dr Maken's place in Middleton in Teesdale.

6th January 1874 LLC 32

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten Assistants was read.

Mr John William Birch Governor
 Mr Henry Tritton Deputy Governor
 Assistants

Mr Edward Masterman
 Mr Herbert Barnard
 Mr Samuel Christie Miller

Mr Henry Ford Barclay
 Mr David Simpson Morice
 Mr William Knox Wigram

Mr John Garrett Cattley
Sir Charles Henry Mills

Mr Isaac Braithwaite
Mr George Wodhouse Currie

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 with an allowance of £50 per annum for coals candles &c. as stipulated in the Resolution of 30th January 1872.

Resolved that the allowance of £300 for the present year to be made to Mr Charles Deane late Secretary.

Sold Johnson Mathey 5958 oz of fine silver at 5/23/4 an oz, they paid the company £1557 15s 4d.

13th January 1874 LLC 32

Sold Alexander, Ferguson & Co 30 tons refined lead at £25 ton at Blaydon.

27th January 1874 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 5258 oz of fine silver at 5/4 an oz, they paid the company £1402 2s 8d.

3rd February 1874 LLC 32

Dr. Arnold Lees be appointed Medical Officer to the Company in the Teesdale district at a salary of £300 per annum in the place of Dr. Makens.

24th February 1874 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 3019 oz of fine silver at 5/31/8 an oz, they paid the company £794 1s 2d. The Probate of the will of Daniel Mildred late of Preston in the County of Gloucester, granted to Henry Mildred, Frederick Mildred, the younger the Cousins, of the deceased and Rev Oswald Smith, dated 31st January 1874 was exhibited & registered.

24th March 1874 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 4192 oz of fine silver at 5/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £1115 13s 8d. Sold Kebbel & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £25 ton at Blaydon.

Resolved that Mr. Bainbridge be authorised to purchase from the Old Carrs Company on the best terms obtainable the mining plot at Nenthead referred to in his letter 23rd instant.

14th April 1874 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 3425 oz of fine silver at 5/33/16 an oz, they paid the company £901 14s 9d.

The recommendations in Mr Bainbridge's letter of the 9th inst. with regards to the petition from the Lead Company's District miners resident in the Upper part of Teesdale for extra medical attendance in that District be accepted on the terms proposed.

21st April 1874 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 3280 oz of fine silver at 5/31/8 an oz, they paid the company £862 14s 2d.

19th May 1874 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 4603 oz of fine silver at 5/31/8 an oz, they paid the company £1215 9s 7d.

2nd June 1874 LLC 32

Sold Grey & Marten 15 tons common litharge at £23 ton.

16th June 1874 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 3675 oz of fine silver at 5/33/8 an oz, they paid the company £970 8s 7d. £5 donated towards the repairs of Garrigill Parish Church.

30th June 1874 LLC 32

The seal of the Company was affixed to two deeds of conveyance of two building sites situated at Nenthead sold to the Nenthead Industrial Co-operative-operative Society Ltd. and the trustees of the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel Nenthead.

4th July 1874 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Matthey 4812 oz of fine silver at 5/31/8 an oz, they paid the company £1265 13s 2d. Sold Walker Parker & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton at Blaydon.

12th July 1874 LLC 32

Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton at Blaydon.

Sold James & Co 100 tons refined lead at £23 ton at Blaydon.

28th July 1874 LLC 32

Sold Lewis Lazarus & Sons 200 tons common lead at £20 10s ton.

Sold Horner & Fell 200 tons common lead at £20 17s 6d ton at Skipton.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 200 tons common lead at £20 10s ton.

4th August 1874 LLC 32

Sold Alexander Ferguson & Co 100 tons refined lead at £23 ton at Blaydon.

Sold Horner & Fell 200 tons common lead at £20 17s 6d ton at Skipton.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 100 tons common lead at £20 10s ton at Blaydon.

11th August 1874 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Matthey 6151 oz of fine silver at 5/23/4 an oz, they paid the company £1608 4s 6d.

Sold Kebbel & Co 2000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton.

Sold Risley & Burgmann 600 pieces of refined lead as a sample at £23 ton at Blaydon.

Sold Horner & Fell 100 tons common lead at £20 17s 6d ton at Skipton.

Sold Baxendale & Co 50 ton common lead at £21 1s ton at Manchester.

18th August 1874 LLC 32

Sold Osgood Field & Co 4000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton at Blaydon.

25th August 1874 LLC 32

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 12 ton common litharge at £22 10s ton at Blaydon.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 200 tons common lead at £20 15s ton at Blaydon.

Sold Hanley Hutchinson 50 ton common lead at £20 17s 6d delivered at Pateley Bridge.

1st September 1874 LLC 32

Sold Robert Dale & Co 30 tons common litharge at £23 ton at Manchester.

Sold Hanley Hutchinson 50 tons common lead at £20 15s delivered at Pateley Bridge.

8th September 1874 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Matthey 5707 oz of fine silver at 5/25/8 an oz, they paid the company £1489 3s 5d. Sold Lewis Lazarus & Sons 5 ton slag lead at £19 10s at Blaydon.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 35 tons common flake litharge at £22 10s at Blaydon.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 500 tons common lead at £21 ton.

15th September 1874 LLC 32

Sold Alexander Ferguson & Co 150 tons refined lead at £23 ton at Blaydon.

22nd September 1874 LLC 32

Sold Walker Parker & Co 4000 pieces of common lead at £21 5s ton at Blaydon.

29th September 1874 LLC 32

Sold Osgood Field & Co 3000 pieces of common lead at £21 5s ton at Blaydon.
Sold Walker Parker & Co 4000 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton at Blaydon.
Sold Lewis Lazarus & Sons 900 pieces of slag lead at £19 10s ton at Blaydon.
Sold Horner & Fell 2000 pieces of common lead at £22 ton at Skipton.

13th October 1874 LLC 32

Sold Osgood Field & Co 8000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton at Blaydon.
Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £23 10s ton at Blaydon.
Sold Champion Hankey & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £23 10s ton at Stockton.
The probate of the will of Mary Masterman of Forrest Rise Walthamstow in the county of Essex spinster, deceased granted to Thomas Masterman the brother & Henry Masterman & Rev Charles Harris Clark the nephews of the deceased the executors, dated 12th May 1874.

15th October 1874 LLC 32

The Probate of the will of Mary Masterman late of Forrest Rise, Walthamstow in the County of Essex, Spinster granted to Thomas Masterman, the brother, & Henry Masterman & the Rev Charles Harris nephews of the deceased dated 12th May 1874 was exhibited & registered.

20th October 1874 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 3448 oz of fine silver at 5/21/2 an oz, they paid the company £894 6s 6d.
Sold Grey & Marten 2000 pieces of refined lead at £23 10s ton at Blaydon.
Sold Ismay & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £23 10s ton.

3rd November 1874 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 4493 oz of fine silver at 5/25/16 an oz, they paid the company £1166 10s 10d.

10th November 1874 LLC 32

The Company seal was affixed to 3 deeds of conveyance to William Pinkney, William Redfern and Jonathan Bowron respectively of building sites situated at Haggling Gap near Egleston and at Snaigill in the parish of Middleton in Teesdale in the county of Durham.

17th November 1874 LLC 32

Mr. Currie gave notice of his intention to propose the following resolution on Tuesday next the 24th instant, "That the Company schools at Middleton and Nenthead be closed on and after the 1st June 1875 and that notice of this resolution be given to the Committee of Council on Education."

24th November 1874 LLC 32

No record in the minutes of the resolution referring to the schools.

8th December 1874 LLC 32

Mr. Bainbridge attended the Court to report on the present condition and future prospects of the Alston Moor district having been requested to do so by the Court with a view to consider the propriety of abandoning the district.

15th December 1874 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 3231 oz of fine silver at 5/23/8 an oz, they paid the company £839 14s 6d.

5th January 1875 LLC 32

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten Assistants was read.

Mr John William Birch Governor
Mr Henry Tritton Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Edward Masterman
Mr Herbert Barnard
Mr Samuel Christie Miller
Mr John Garrett Cattley
Sir Charles Henry Mills

Mr Henry Ford Barclay
Mr David Simpson Morice
Mr William Knox Wigram
Mr Isaac Braithwaite
Mr George Wodhouse Currie

Resolved that Mr. John Elliott be elected to the joint office of secretary and accountant, for the present year, at a salary of £300 with an allowance of £50 per annum for coals & candles as stipulated in the Resolution of the Court of 30th January 1872.

Resolved that the allowance of £300 for the present year be made to Mr. Charles Dean late secretary.

Resolved that Messrs' Barclay & Co., be requested to borrow a further sum of £10,000 on consols on the 8th instant, and that they be requested to pay into the Barnard Castle Branch Bank of Messrs', Backhouse & Co., £11,000 on the same date to the credit of the Lead Company's account, pursuant to the advice of Mr. R. W. Bainbridge.

19th January 1875 LLC 32

Resolved that steps should be taken to obtain a Government grant for the Company's schools, in accordance with the recommendation of the late deputation to the North.

26th January 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 4738 oz of fine silver at 5/21/8 an oz, they paid the company £1226 9s 0d.

2nd February 1875 LLC 32

Resolved that Messrs. Barclay & Co., be requested to pay into the Barnard Castle Branch Bank of Messrs., Backhouse & Co., this day £2,700 to the credit of the Lead Company's account, pursuant to the advice of Mr. R. W. Bainbridge.

9th February 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 5339 oz of fine silver at 5/2 an oz, they paid the company £1379 4s 10d.

23rd February 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 6190 oz of fine silver at 5/2 an oz, they paid the company £1599 1s 8d.

19th March 1875. London Gazette

Lead Office, March 9, 1875.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a General Court of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal will be held at the Company's House, in Martin's lane, Cannon street, on Tuesday, the 6th April, at twelve o'clock at noon precisely, being a Half-yearly Court. The Governor and Court of Assistants regret that the accounts for the past year do not justify them in recommending a Dividend. The Transfer Book will be shut on Thursday, the 25th instant, and opened again on. Wednesday, the 7th April following.

John Elliott, Secretary.

23rd March 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 4063 oz of fine silver at 5/15/8 an oz, they paid the company £1043 5s 2d.

30th March 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 1418 oz of fine silver at 5/15/8 an oz, they paid the company £364 2s 0d.

6th April 1875 LLC 32

Sold Grey & Marten 20 tons common flake litharge at £22 ton at Blaydon. Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton at Blaydon.

13th April 1875 LLC 32

Mr. H Baureman recommended by Dr. Percy of the school of mines attended the Court with a view to consultation as to his appointment to visit the North and report upon the Company's mining operations in general. He was to be paid one hundred guineas for his inspection and report, to be paid to him on presentation of the report.

20th April 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 1689 oz of fine silver at 5/113/16 an oz, they paid the company £435.
Sold Champion Hankey & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton at Stockton.
Sold Osgood Field & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton at Blaydon.

27th April 1875 LLC 32

Sold Alexander Ferguson & Co 3000 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton at Blaydon.
Sold Sankey White Lead Co 100 tons common flake litharge at £23 5s ton delivered at their works.
Sold Osgood Field & Co 50 tons common flake litharge at £22 15s ton and 50 tons of unsifted litharge at £21 15s ton at Blaydon.
Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 50 tons of common flake litharge at £23 ton at Blaydon.
Sold Ismay & Co 50 tons refined lead at £23 10s ton at Newcastle.

14th May 1875 LLC 32

Sold Ismay & Co 100 tons refined lead at £24 ton.

18th May 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 2785 oz of fine silver at 5/11/2 an oz, they paid the company £713 13s 1d.

15th June 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 3049 oz of fine silver at 4/117/8 an oz, they paid the company £760 13s 3d.
Sold Ismay & Co 100 tons refined lead at £24 ton.

29th June 1875 LLC 32

Mr. Bauerman attended the Court with reference to his report.
Mr. Oddie attended the Court with reference to his appointment as schoolmaster at Middleton.

6th July 1875 LLC 32

Sold Sankey White Lead Works Co 100 tons litharge at £23 7s ton delivering to their works in Warrington.
Mr. Bauerman's report be printed and a copy sent to each shareholder.
Mr. Walbank attended the Court with reference to his appointment as schoolmaster at Nenthead.
Mr. Oddie was appointed as schoolmaster at Middleton in Teesdale at a salary of £120 a year.

13th July 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 2540 oz of fine silver at 5/01/16 an oz, they paid the company £635 13s 3d.

Mr. Walbank was appointed schoolmaster at Nenthead at a salary of £120 a year. The draft of the license from Messrs. Cookson's to use their patent for desilverising lead was laid before the Court and approved.

27th July 1875 LLC 32

Sold Grey & Marten 2000 pieces of refined lead at £24 ton, and 15 tons common flake litharge at £23 ton and 300 pieces of slag lead at £20 10s ton at Stockton.

The seal of the Company was affixed to a deed of assignment from John Hodgson Williamson and others of the Old Carrs mine to the lead Company, Mr. Millican having certified that he had perused and approved the same.

3rd August 1875 LLC 32

Sold Pontifex & Wood 4000 pieces of refined lead at £24 ton at Blaydon. The Governor laid before the Court a letter he had received from Mr. Bainbridge with reference to the secretary's letter of 27th July requiring him to give notice of the abandonment of the Hilton and Murton mines.

10th August 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 1412 oz of fine silver at 5/03/8 an oz, they paid the company £355 4s 2d.

17th August 1875 LLC 32

Sold Walker Parker & Co 20 tons slag lead at £20 10s ton at Blaydon. Sold Locke Blackett & Co 200 tons of common lead at £22 ton at Blaydon. Sold Hanley Hutchinson 50 tons common lead at £22 ton at Pateley Bridge.

24th August 1875 LLC 32

Sold Walker Parker & Co 200 tons refined lead at £24 ton, and 200 tons common lead at £22 ton at Redheugh station.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 50 tons slag lead at £20 10s ton, and 200 tons common lead at £22 5s ton at Blaydon.

The seal of the Company be affixed to the License from Messrs Cookson & Co for the use of the Rozan steam process for desilvering lead.

7th September 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 1580 oz of fine silver at 5/11/8 an oz, they paid the company £402 8s 1d.

Sold Mr. Murrant 50 tons common lead at £22 10s ton delivered free on board on the Tyne.

Sold Osgood Field & Co 100 tons common lead at £22 5s ton, and 10 tons slag lead at £20 10s ton.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 50 tons common lead at £22 5s ton, and later 100 tons common lead at £22 10s ton.

14th September 1875 LLC 32

Sold Osgood Field & Co 500 tons refined lead at £23 15s ton, and 500 tons common lead at £22 5s ton at Blaydon.

5th October 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 5242 oz of fine silver at 5/11/8 an oz, they paid the company £1335 1s 5d.

12th October 1875 LLC 32

The Company determined to abandon the Dufton and Silverband mines, Mr. Bainbridge to give the necessary notice to Sir H Tufton.

26th October 1875 LLC 32

Mr. Bainbridge confirmed that he had given notice to Sir H Tufton's agent Admiral Elliott notice of the proposed abandonment of mines within the Manors of Dufton, Knock and Milburn on the 24th October 1876.

2nd November 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 5318 oz of fine silver at 5/17/16 an oz, they paid the company £1361 7s 0d.

9th November 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 6006 oz of fine silver at 5/11/2 an oz, they paid the company £1539 0s 9d.

16th November 1875 LLC 32

Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £24 ton at Blaydon.

30th November 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 3023 oz of fine silver at 5/11/8 an oz, they paid the company £769 18s 4d.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 1000 pieces of slag lead at £20 10s ton.

7th December 1875 LLC 32

Sold Berger Spence & Co 20 tons slag lead at £20 10s ton. Mr. Charles Bainbridge's salary be raised from £250 a year to £300 a year. Mr. Henry Dalton was appointed Wharf agent in the place of his father (John Dalton) deceased at the same salary.

14th December 1875 LLC 32

That an allowance of £60 be made to John Hyslop for the year commencing 31st October last in acknowledgement of his long and valued service as schoolmaster at Middleton in Teesdale extending now over a period of 39 years.

21st December 1875 LLC 32

Sold Walker Parker & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £24 ton at Redheugh station.

28th December 1875 LLC 32

Sold Johnson Mathey 8027 oz of fine silver at 5/05/8 an oz, they paid the company £2027 13s 1d.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 20 tons common flake litharge at £23 10s ton at Blaydon.

Sold Grey & Marten 2000 pieces of refined lead at £24 ton {*changed to 1500 pieces of common lead and 500 refined on 4th June 1876*) and 30 tons common flake litharge at £23 10s ton.

4th January 1876 LLC 33

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten Assistants was read.

Mr John William Birch Governor
Mr Henry Tritton Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Edward Masterman
Mr Herbert Barnard
Mr Samuel Christie Miller
Mr John Garrett Cattley
Sir Charles Henry Mills

Mr Henry Ford Barclay
Mr David Simpson Morice
Mr William Knox Wigram
Mr Isaac Braithwaite
Mr George Wodhouse Currie

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 with an allowance of £50 per annum for coals candles &c. as stipulated in the Resolution of 30th January 1872.

25th January 1876 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 4888 oz of fine silver at 4/11 9/16 an oz, they paid the company £1213 1s 9d.

8th February 1876 LLC 33

Sold Walker Parker & Co 4000 pieces refined lead at £24 ton at Redheugh station.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £24 ton at Stockton.

Sold Byers & Son 30 tons of common lead at £22 5s ton and 20 tons slag lead at £20 10s ton at Stockton.

Sold Ismay & Co 100 tons refined lead at £24 ton at Newcastle.

Sold Crooks & Co 30 tons slag lead at £20 15s ton at Liverpool.

22nd February 1876 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 6349 oz of fine silver at 4/10 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £1547 11s 4d.

Resolved That a donation of £30 be made to Mrs Dalton widow, and to allow her a like sum of £30 for the year commencing Xmas 1875 in acknowledgement of the long and faithful services of her husband Mr William Dalton.

29th February 1876 LLC 33

Sold Walker Parker & Co 6000 pieces of common lead at £21 15s ton at Redheugh station.

14th March 1876 LLC 33

Valuation of properties in the North			
As valued in Co. books 1875 at about 2/3		As now valued by the committee of accounts	To be valued in Co. books at 2/3 of the committee of accounts valuation
Mr. Bainbridge's valuation			
Middleton Estate	£6,500	£14,596	£9,731
Priorsdale	£4,500	£10,090	£6,727
Alston Moor	£2,650	£5,381	£3,587
Garrigill	£500	£1,068	£712
Hilton	£100	£170	£114
Egglestone	£1,500	£2,735	£1,823
Stanhope	£200	£225	£150
Egglestone Mill	<u>£1,500</u>	<u>£3,120</u>	<u>£2,080</u>
TOTALS	£17,450	£37,385	£24,924
The 3 houses in London to remain as before			<u>£6,000</u>
			<u>£30,924</u>

Resolved that the valuation of the Company's properties be now increased by £7,474 as above.

21st March 1876 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 3688 oz of fine silver at 4/10 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £895 2s 2d.

4th April 1876 LLC 33

Sold Walker Parker & Co 300 tons common lead at £21 10s ton.

11th April 1876 LLC 33

Winder Harrop & Co of Manchester bought 50 tons common lead at £22 3 s ton delivered at Manchester.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 100 tons common lead at £21 15s ton.

18th April 1876 LLC 33

£20 given towards the rebuilding of the school at Mickleton.

25th April 1876 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 2830 oz of fine silver at 4/10¹/₄ an oz, they paid the company £686 17s 3d.

Sold Isaac Braithwaite 139 ounces of fine silver at 4/10¹/₄ oz value £33 14s 9d.

2nd May 1876 LLC 323

Resolved that Herbert Barnard Esq., and William Knox Wigram Esq., the deputation appointed this day to visit the Company's works in the North be authorised to examine the state of the Company's accounts and works, to place and displace, suspend and discharge such of the Company's Agents, Accountants and Servants, as they shall find occasion to do according to their discretion.

And to give orders in any matter or thing that shall by them deemed for the benefit of the Company.

9th May 1876 LLC 33

Sold Kebbel & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £23 10s ton at Blaydon.

16th May 1876 LLC 33

Resolved that Mr. John J Millican be appointed the auditor for the Nenthead School and that Mr. Charles E Bainbridge be appointed auditor for the Middleton school.

30th May 1876 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 2058 oz of fine silver at 4/8 ⁵/₈ an oz, they paid the company £485 11s 2d.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 1000 pieces of slag lead at £19 15s ton at Blaydon.

Sold Sankey White lead Co 100 tons of litharge at £23 ton delivered to Warrington.

13th June 1876 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 8345 oz of fine silver at 4/7¹⁵/₁₆ an oz, they paid the company £1944 19s 10d.

11th July 1876 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 4245 oz of fine silver at 4/27¹/₁₆ an oz, they paid the company £892 2s 3d.

1st August 1876 LLC 33

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 50 tons slag lead at £19 ton at Blaydon.

Sold Sankey white lead Co 100 tons flake litharge at £22 10s ton at Warrington

8th August 1876 LLC 33

Sold Byers & Son 50 tons common lead at £21 ton at Stockton, The secretary reported that he had received from the Education Department £137 8s 9d being the amount of grant to the Middleton School for the 9 months ending 31st May,

15th August 1876 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 3310 oz of fine silver at 4/7³/₈ an oz, they paid the company £763 14s 3d.

Sold Atlas tube Co 20 pieces of common lead at £21 ton as a sample.

The secretary reported that he had received £119 14s from the Education

Department this being the amount of grant to the Nenthead School for the 9 months ending 31st May.

29th August 1876 LLC 33

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 15 tons common flake litharge at £22 ton at Blaydon.
Sold Locke Blackett & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton at Blaydon.

12th September 1876 LLC 33

Sold Sankey white lead Co 100 tons common litharge at £22 10s ton at Warrington.

19th September 1876 LLC 33

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 1000 pieces of slag lead at £19 ton delivered at Blaydon.

26th September 1876 LLC 33

Sold Champion Hankey 10000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton at Stockton. Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 500 pieces of slag lead at £19 ton at Blaydon.

3rd October 1876 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 6710 oz of fine silver at 4/85/8 an oz, they paid the company £1583 2s 10d.

Resolved that a Dividend of ten shillings per share for the half year ending at Michaelmas last be recommended to the General Court this day without any deduction for the same.

17th October 1876 LLC 33

Sold Ismay & Co 1000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton at Newcastle.

24th October 1876 LLC 33

Sold Byers & Son 50 tons common lead at £21 10s ton at Stockton.

The members of the Trade and Correspondence or any three of them, be nominated Managers of the Company's schools for all necessary purposes.

31st October 1876 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 10598 oz of fine silver at 4/93/4 an oz, they paid the company £2550 2s 10d.

7th November 1876 LLC 33

Sold Robert Anderson & Co 50 tons of common lead at £21 15s ton delivered on the Thames in 11/2 cwt pigs.

14th November 1876 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 3492 oz of fine silver at 4/9 13/16 an oz, they paid the company £841 3s 5d,

Sold Atlas Tube Co 400 pieces common lead at £22 13 s at Birmingham.

21st November 1876 LLC 33

Sold Kebbel & Co 400 pieces of refined lead at £23 ton at Blaydon.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £21 10s ton.

Sold Berger Spence & Co 1000 pieces of common lead at £22 2s ton at Manchester.

28th November 1876 LLC 33

Sold Mr. W Foskett 2000 pieces of Stanhope refined lead at £22 10s ton at Blaydon.

Sold Wrinder Harrop & Co 1000 pieces of common lead at £22 3s ton at Manchester.

Sold Ismay & Co 300 tons Stanhope refined lead at £22 5s ton.

5th December 1876 LLC 33

Sold Robert Anderson & Co 100 tons of common lead at £22 5s ton at the Thames.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 1000 pieces of slag lead at £20 ton.

Sold Messrs Roberts, Dale & Co 10 tons flake litharge at £23 8s ton at Manchester.
Sold Horner & Fell 50 tons common lead at £22 ton at Skipton.
Sold Sankey white lead Co 200 tons flake litharge at £23 5s ton at Warrington.

12th December 1876 LLC 33

Sold Robert Anderson & Co 200 tons common lead at £22 ton on the Thames.
Sold Atlas Tube Co 30 tons common lead at £22 8s ton at Birmingham, and 20 tons common lead at £22 11s ton delivered to Derby.
Resolved that the allowance of £60 be continued to Mr. John Hyslop for the year commencing October last

19th December 1876 LLC 33

Sold Winder Harrop & Co 2000 pieces of common lead at £22 3s ton at Manchester.
Resolved that the allowance of £30 be continued to Mrs. Dalton for the year commencing Christmas 1876.

2nd January 1877 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 5314 oz of fine silver at 5/13/16 an oz, they paid the company £1354 15s 10d.

9th January 1877 LLC 33

The following resolution was proposed by the Governor Viz.
That the Court desire to express their sincere regret at the death of their late Deputy Governor Mr. Henry Tritton, who during a period of 34 years had been associated with them as Assistant, and Deputy Governor.

16th January 1877 LLC 33

Sold Roberts, Dale & Co 20 tons litharge at £23 8s ton at Manchester.

23rd January 1877 LLC 33

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten Assistants was read.

Mr John William Birch Governor
Mr Herbert Barnard Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Edward Masterman	Mr Henry Ford Barclay
Mr Henry John Tritton	Mr David Simpson Morice
Mr Samuel Christie Miller	Mr William Knox Wigram
Mr John Garrett Cattley	Mr Isaac Braithwaite
Sir Charles Henry Mills	Mr George Wodhouse Currie

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 with an allowance of £50 per annum for coals candles &c. as stipulated in the Resolution of 30th January 1872.

Sold Foskett & Co 500 tons refined lead at £22 5s ton at Blaydon.
Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 500 pieces of slag lead at £19 10s ton at Blaydon.

6th February 1877 LLC 33

The Probate of the will of Henry Tritton late of Lombard Street in the City of London, Banker, deceased granted to Joseph Gurney Barclay, Joseph Tritton the brother of the deceased & Revd. William Briscoe Triton, dated 25th January 1877 was exhibited & registered.

13th February 1877 LLC 33

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 10 tons of flake litharge at £22 5s ton at Blaydon.

The secretary reported that his letter of 30th January to the Atlas Tube Co had been returned unopened, the sole partner had absconded. The secretary was to go to Birmingham and try to trace the delivery of lead.

A letter was written to Mr. Bainbridge with reference to the supply of water at Middleton.

20th February 1877 LLC 33

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton at Blaydon.

Sold Byers & Son 50 tons common lead at £21 10s ton at Stockton.

27th February 1877 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 7582 oz of fine silver at 5/0 7/16 an oz, they paid the company £1909 6s 5d.

Sold Winder Harrop & Co 50 tons common lead at £21 12s ton at Manchester.

6th March 1877 LLC 33

Sold Champion Hankey 6000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton at Stockton.

13th March 1877 LLC 33

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton.

Sold S & W Tudor & Son 5 tons best flake litharge at £23 ton at Blaydon.

20th March 1877 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 8091 oz of fine silver at 4/11/16 an oz, they paid the company £1991 3s 0d.

Sold Messrs Henry Grace & Co 4000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton at Blaydon.

27th March 1877 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 4804 oz of fine silver at 4/10 an oz, they paid the company £1160 19s 4d.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 500 pieces of slag lead at £19 5s ton at Blaydon.

Sold Horner & Fell 1000 pieces of common lead at £21 5s ton at Skipton.

Resolved that a Dividend of ten shillings per share for the half year ending Lady Day last be recommended to the proprietors at the General Court on Tuesday the 10th April next without deduction for income tax.

3rd April 1877 LLC 33

Sold Horner & Fell 7000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton at Skipton.

17th April 1877 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 2004 oz of fine silver at 4/10 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £488 9s 6d.

Sold Sankey white lead co 250 tons litharge at £22 10s ton at Warrington.

24th April 1877 LLC 33

Sold Alexander Mortimore 1000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton at Blaydon.

1st May 1877 LLC 33

Sold Henry Grace & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton at Blaydon.

Sold Horner & Fell 250 tons common lead at £21 5s ton at Skipton.

8th May 1877 LLC 33

Sold Winder Harrop & Co 100 tons common lead at £21 10s ton at Manchester.

The Company received £9 9s 9d from the Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation in settlement of the Claim for damage and their expenses incurred by the fire at Nenthead mill.

15th May 1877 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 2000 pieces of refined lead at £22 ton at Blaydon.
Sold S Tudor & Sons 1000 pieces of refined lead at £22 5s ton at Hull.

22nd May 1877 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Matthey 10419 oz of fine silver at 4/103/4 an oz, they paid the company £2550 9s 8d.

5th June 1877 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 1000 pieces of common lead at £21 ton.

12th June 1877 LLC 33

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 5000 pieces of common lead at £20 10s ton at Blaydon.

19th June 1877 LLC 33

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 10000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton at Blaydon.

26th June 1877 LLC 33

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 1000 pieces of slag lead at £18 10s ton at Blaydon.

10th July 1877 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Matthey 8237 oz of fine silver at 4/101/4 an oz, they paid the company £1992 15s 0d. Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 1000 pieces of slag lead at £18 10s ton at Blaydon.
Sold Robert Crooks & Co 10 tons slag lead at £19 ton at Liverpool.
Received from the Education Department £176 7s 0d the amount of grant to the Nenthead school for the year ending 31st May.

17th July 1877 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £21 10s ton at London.

24th July 1877 LLC 33

£221 2s was received from the Education Department being the amount of grant to the Middleton school for the year ending 31st May.

31st July 1877 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton at Blaydon.
Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton at Blaydon.

7th August 1877 LLC 33

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co the stock of slag lead now made about 33 tons and the quantity made to the end of October about 50 tons at £18 10s ton at Blaydon.
Sold Roberts Dale & Co 10 tons flake litharge at £22 ton delivered at Manchester.

14th August 1877 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £19 ton at Blaydon.
Sold Locke Blackett & Co 10000 pieces of common lead at £19 5s ton.
Sold Foskett & Co 10 tons common flake litharge at £20 10s ton at Stockton.

21st August 1877 LLC 33

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 20 tons common flake litharge at £21 ton at Blaydon.
Sold Grey & Marten 30 tons common flake litharge at £21 ton at Blaydon.

28th August 1877 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 2716 oz of fine silver at 4/105/16 an oz, they paid the company £659 18s 1d.

4th September 1877 LLC 33

A donation of £300 was made to the rebuilding of the church at Middleton Teesdale. And that in the event of the total subscription not being sufficient to complete the work a further sum not exceeding £200 to be contributed on such completion.

25th September 1877 LLC 33

Sold Horner & Fell 200 tons common leads at £19 15s ton at Skipton.

Sold Quirk Barton & Co of Liverpool 50 ton common lead at £19 17s 6d delivered to Manchester.

2nd October 1877 LLC 33

Sold Quirk Barton & Co 150 tons common lead at £19 17s 6d at Liverpool & Manchester.

Sold Berger Spence & Co 50 tons common lead at £19 16s 6d at Liverpool or Manchester.

9th October 1877 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 300 tons common lead at £19 10s ton.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 500 tons common lead at £19 10s ton.

16th October 1877 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 6706 oz of fine silver at 4/115/16 an oz, they paid the company £1657 5s 10d.

Sold Byers & Sons 1000 pieces of common lead at £19 15s ton at Stockton.

23rd October 1877 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 5985 oz of fine silver at 4/111/16 an oz, they paid the company £1472 17s 5d.

The secretary wrote to the Company's schoolmasters at Nenthead and Middleton stating the terms under which they are to receive 10% upon Government grants in addition to their present salary.

30th October 1877 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 8441 oz of fine silver at 4/111/16 an oz, they paid the company £2099 5s 2d.

6th November 1877 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 8397 oz of fine silver at 4/111/16 an oz, they paid the company £2066 9s 0d.

Sold Johnson Mathey 4607 oz of fine silver at 4/115/16 an oz, they paid the company £1138 11s 0d.

Sold Anderson & Tritton 100 tons common lead at £20 ton at the Thames.

13th November 1877 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 5000 pieces of refined lead at £20 ton at Blaydon.

20th November 1877 LLC 33

Sold Horner & Fell 50 tons common lead at £19 15s ton at Skipton.

4th December 1877 LLC 33

Read a letter from Mr Bainbridge the 3rd inst. with application enclosed for aid in the erection of a Wesleyan Secondary School at Westgate in Weardale.

Resolved the sum of £10 to be subscribed to the same.

8th January 1878 LLC 33

Mr John William Birch Governor
Mr Herbert Barnard Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Edward Masterman	Mr Henry Ford Barclay
Mr Henry John Tritton	Mr David Simpson Morice
Mr Samuel Christie Miller	Mr William Knox Wigram
Mr John Garrett Cattley	Mr Isaac Braithwaite
Mr Charles William Mills	Mr George Wodhouse Currie

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 with an allowance of £50 per annum for coals candles &c. as stipulated in the Resolution of 30th January 1872.

22nd January 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 12796 oz of fine silver at 4/9 15/16 an oz, they paid the company £3089 0s 8d.

5th February 1878 LLC 33

Sold Grey & Marten 30 tons flake litharge at £20 ton at Blaydon.

19th February 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 6602 oz of fine silver at 4/10 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £1602 7s 3d.

26th February 1878 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 500 tons refined lead at £19 ton at Blaydon or Middleton in Teesdale.

9th April 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 8382 oz of fine silver at 4/10 7/8 an oz, they paid the company £2014 8s 6d.

Sold Tudor & Sons 15 tons best flake litharge at £20 16s 8d at Hull.

Sold Foskett & Co 10 tons best flake litharge at £20 ton, and 10 tons common flake litharge at £19 ton at Middleton.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 50 ton of common flake litharge at £19 ton at Redheugh station.

16th April 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 8067 oz of fine silver at 4/10 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £1953 14s 6d. Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 2000 pieces of slag lead at £16 ton at Blaydon.

23rd April 1878 LLC 33

Instructions left with Mr. Bainbridge by the deputation are confirmed and he is to carry them out without loss of time. (Notice for the schools to be discontinued, stop all school payments. This note pencilled in the margin of the minute book.)

7th May 1878 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 4000 pieces of common lead at £17 ton.

14th May 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 3310 oz of fine silver at 4/9 11/16 an oz, they paid the company £795 12s 2d.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 530 pieces of slag lead at £16 ton.

21st May 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 5935 oz of fine silver at 4/97/16 an oz, they paid the company £1420 7s 7d.

Sold Foskett & Co 6000 pieces of refined lead at £17 15s ton on the Tyne.

28th May 1878 LLC 33

Sold Horner & Fell 50 ton common lead at £17 5s ton at Skipton.

18th June 1878 LLC 33

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 200 tons refined lead at £17 10s ton.

25th June 1878 LLC 33

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 1500 pieces of slag lead at £15 10s ton.

Sold Foskett & co 4000 pieces of common lead at £16 5s ton.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 6000 pieces of common lead at £16 10s ton.

Sold Grey & Marten 50 tons litharge at £18 ton.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 300 tons refined lead at £17 10s ton.

Sold Horner & Fell 100 tons common lead at £16 15s ton.

9th July 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 2215 oz of fine silver at 4/83/4 an oz, they paid the company £523 15s 1d.

Sold Johnson Mathey 3916 oz of fine silver at 4/81/2 an oz, they paid the company £921 17s 10d.

Resolved that the seal of this Company be affixed to two Deeds of Conveyance of dwelling houses at Hilton in the County of Westmorland to Mr Robert Addison, and a piece of land at Snaigsill in the Parish of Middleton in Teesdale, Durham, to Mr Thomas Ralfern; and of an Assignment of a piece of land at Nenthead in the Parish of Alston in Cumberland to the Nenthead Industrial Co-operative Society Limited.

16th July 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 3689 oz of fine silver at 4/83/4 an oz, they paid the company £872 5s 10d.

6th August 1878 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 250 tons refined lead at £17 10s ton, and 250 tons common lead at £16 5s ton.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 60 tons common litharge at £18 ton.

Sold Sankey & Co 100 tons common litharge at £18 10s ton.

Received £250 6s from the Education Department.

The Committee of accounts wish to call the attention of the Court to the fact that the demands for money in the North up to the present time have been nearly equal to the corresponding period of last year, though no material increase has taken place in the quantity of lead raised. And the price of lead has fallen on an average about £3 per Ton, and to the consequent necessity of reducing the expenditure of the Company as much as possible.

13th August 1878 LLC 33

The probate of the will of Robert Stagg late of Hill house, Alston in the County of Cumberland, Esquire, deceased, a shareholder, was exhibited and registered.

27th August 1878 LLC 33

Sold Tudor & Sons 15 tons of best flake litharge at £19 16s 8d at Hull.

3rd September 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 1277 oz of fine silver at 4/83/16 an oz, they paid the company £298 19s 3d.

10th September 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 6139 oz of fine silver at 4/81/16 an oz, they paid the company £1434 0s 8d.

1st October 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 3398 oz of fine silver at 4/75/8 an oz, they paid the company £787 11s 2d.

15th October 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 7569 oz of fine silver at 4/75/16 an oz, they paid the company £1744 8s 4d.

22nd October 1878 LLC 33

In accordance with the recommendations of the deputation stipends to view of Nenthead and the curate of Garrigill be discontinued from 31st December 1879. And that the Deputy Governor be requested to communicate to the said gentlemen the resolution which in the present state of affairs the Court have considered it their duty to pass. And that the secretary inform Mr. Bainbridge that at the expiration of 3 months from this date the allowance to the doctor in the Weardale district are to be discontinued.

29th October 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 1621 oz of fine silver at 4/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £362 3s 10d.

Resolved that the wages of all the Smelters and Artisans employed at the mills be reduced a further ten per cent.

5th November 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 9171 oz of fine silver at 4/63/16 an oz, they paid the company £2070 12s 9d.

Sold Johnson Mathey 2120 oz of fine silver at 4/67/16 an oz, they paid the company £480 17s 3d.

Resolved that the ten per cent reduction made on Smelters and Artisans be also applied to the other Chargemen and Artisans in the Company's employment.

12th November 1878 LLC 33

It was resolved that the basis of wages for underground men be reduced to 16/- per week at the next Bargains.

That the house and gardens at Stanhope now in the occupation of Mr. Edward Bolton, which was offered for sale in the year 1871 at a reserve bid of £250, be now sold at not less than the reserve bid.

19th November 1878 LLC 33

The minute of the 12th November modified, Stanhope house not to be sold for less than £300.

26th November 1878 LLC 33

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 175 tons slag lead at £14 ton.

Sold Sankey & Co 100 tons common litharge at £17 10s ton.

10th December 1878 LLC 33

£241 1s 10d received from the Education Department.

24th December 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 4430 oz of fine silver at 4/57/16 an oz, they paid the company £986 7s 4d.

31st December 1878 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 6401 oz of fine silver at 4/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £1426 17s 9d.

Directions were given for the reduction of Miners in Alston Moor and Teesdale and partial cessation of smelting at the mills.

7th January 1879 LLC 33

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten Assistants was read.

Mr John William Birch Governor
Mr Herbert Barnard Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Edward Masterman	Mr Henry Ford Barclay
Mr Henry John Tritton	Mr David Simpson Morice
Mr Samuel Christie Miller	Mr William Knox Wigram
Mr John Garrett Cattley	Mr Isaac Braithwaite
Mr Charles William Mills	Mr George Wodhouse Currie

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 with an allowance of £50 per annum for coals candles &c. as stipulated in the Resolution of 30th January 1872.

Resolved that the allowances for Court's and Committees fees be reduced to one half during the ensuing year owing to the unprofitable working of the Company.

14th January 1879 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 300 tons refined lead at £14 10s ton.

21st January 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 3113 oz of fine silver at 4/61/2 an oz, they paid the company £706 18s 2d.

4th February 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 1513 oz of fine silver at 4/515/16 an oz, they paid the company £340 0s 7d.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co the stock of slag lead about 50 tons at £13 ton.

Resolved that the number of pickmen now authorised for employment be not departed from. Notice was given of the following motions, which will be proposed at an early meeting of the Court.

1st. That any surplus income of the debt due to the Workmen's fund for the next year ending 31st October 1878 after satisfying or providing for all claims on the fund and any future surplus income to from time to time invested in Consols in the name of 4 assistants and credited in the books to an account to be called the "Workmen's Fund Account".

2nd. That the proceeds of the sales of property at Hilton sold last year and the plantations near Middleton under contracts of sale to the Duke of Cleveland be applied in reduction of the debt to the Workmen's Fund and be invested in Consols in the like amount.

18th February 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 2862 oz of fine silver at 4/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £637 19s 9d.

25th February 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 3693 oz of fine silver at 4/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £827 1s 7d. Resolved that the surplus interest on the Workmen's Fund for the year ending at 31st October 1878 and any future interest be from time to time invested in Consols in the names of 4 assistants and credited in the books to an account to be called "The Workmen's Fund Account".

4th March 1879 LLC 33

Sold Sankey & Co 100 tons flake litharge at £15 10s ton.

11th March 1879 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 300 tons common lead at £13 5s ton.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 50 tons flake litharge at £15 ton.

Sold Mr J C Swan 10 tons flake litharge at £15 10s ton.

18th March 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 1509 oz of fine silver at 4/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £335 12s 0d.

25th March 1879 LLC 33

The Company seal was affixed to a deed of conveyance of the Snaigsill and Awkside plantations to the Duke of Cleveland, the Hon Edward Stanhope MP and Henry Morgan Vane Esquire. Mr Millican having certified that he had perused the same on behalf of the Company.

15th April 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 1954 oz of fine silver at 4/43/4 an oz, they paid the company £429 9s 6d.

22nd April 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 3481 oz of fine silver at 4/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £776 12s 10d.

Sold Johnson Mathey 3294 oz of fine silver at 4/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £736 0s 0d.

13th May 1879 LLC 33

Read a letter from Middleton School Board of the 9th inst. stating that they accept the Company's offer of the school buildings for one year from the 23rd August 1879 to 23rd August 1880 at a rental of £50 per annum; and that they take it upon themselves the responsibility for the payment of the current years rent.

20th May 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 4990 oz of fine silver at 4/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £1125 7s 0d.

27th May 1879 LLC 33

Sold J G East 60 tons slag lead at £13 ton at Redheugh station.

3rd June 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 4917 oz of fine silver at 4/7 an oz, they paid the company £1126 16s 3d.

10th June 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 1299 oz of fine silver at 4/85/16 an oz, they paid the company £304 15s 10d. Sold Foskett & Co 250 tons of refined lead at £14 ton, and 250 tons common lead at £13 5s ton at Blaydon.

17th June 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 1931 oz of fine silver at 4/81/16 an oz, they paid the company £450 19s 0d.

Sold Johnson Mathey 2871 oz of fine silver at 4/711/16 an oz, they paid the company £666 3s 3d. Sold Locke Blackett & Co 100 tons refined lead at £14 ton.

The Company's seal was affixed to a lease and counterpart of the Bollyhope shield Estate in the parish of Stanhope for a term of 50 years from the 30th June 1878 from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners to the Lead Company. Mr John G Millican having certified that he had perused the same on behalf of the Company.

24th June 1879 LLC 33

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 50 tons refined lead at £14 ton.

8th July 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 3801 oz of fine silver at 4/77/8 an oz, they paid the company £884 17s 6d.

15th July 1879 LLC 33

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 100 tons common lead at £13 5s ton.

5th August 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 6600 oz of fine silver at 4/71/8 an oz, they paid the company £1515 18s 9d.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 50 tons refined lead at £14 ton, and 200 tons common lead at £13 5s ton.

12th August 1879 LLC 33

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 50 tons flake litharge at £14 15s ton, 150 tons common lead at £13 5s ton, and 100 tons refined lead at £14 ton.

Sold Ismay & Co 50 tons refined lead at £14 ton.

Sold Foskett & Co 300 tons common lead, and 200 tons refined lead at £14 ton.

19th August 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 4234 oz of fine silver at 4/713/16 an oz, they paid the company £984 12s 8d.

Sold Carrick & Brockbank of Manchester 100 tons common lead at £13 10s ton delivered on rails to Hagger Leases or at £14 5s ton delivered at Manchester.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 150 tons common lead at £13 15s ton.

Received a letter from the Lord's Commissioners of the Admiralty of the 15th inst. stating that they agree to a reduction of the Royalty payable to them as trustees of Greenwich Hospital viz. for lead ore from 1/12 and for the minerals, from the scale at present in force to 1/18 for two years certain from 1 July last. Also to allow a reduction of the number of pickmen to one half of that required under the terms of the lease.

26th August 1879 LLC 33

Sold J G East 200 tons common lead at £14 ton and 100 tons common lead at £14 10s ton.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 200 tons common lead at £14 ton.

16th September 1879 LLC 33

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 50 tons refined lead at £15 15s ton.

23rd September 1879 LLC 33

The resolution referring to the interest in the Workmen's Fund for the year ending 31 October 1878 be now carried into effect with the variation that the investment be made in the names of 3 members of the Court instead of 4.

30th September 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 3114 oz of fine silver at 4/711/16 an oz, they paid the company £722 10s 10d. Sold Henry R Merton 200 tons common lead at £14 10s ton.

14th October 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 1752 oz of fine silver at 4/81/16 an oz, they paid the company £409 14s 5d.

Sold Horner & Fell 100 tons common lead at £15 2s 6 at Skipton.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 100 tons refined lead at £16 5s ton at Stockton.

Sold J G East 300 tons common lead at £15 10s ton.

21st October 1879 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 500 tons common lead at £16 ton.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 200 tons common lead at £16 ton at Stockton.

Sold J G East 200 tons common lead at £16 ton.

28th October 1879 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 300 tons refined lead at £17 ton.

Sold Sankey & Co 200 tons flake litharge at £18 10s ton.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 60 tons slag lead at £16 ton.

Mr. Monkhouses's letter of the 13th inst. to the Deputy Governor having been referred to the Committee of Accounts, they recommend that his suggestion be adopted, except that assuming that the timber in Priorsdale is cut judiciously and economically the value there of, less the cost of cutting be credited to income, the same value being debited to the Mine cost. This recommendation is limited to the present years accounts.

4th November 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 5832 oz of fine silver at 4/93/4 an oz, they paid the company £1403 6s 6d. Sold J G East 200 tons common lead at £17 ton and 100 tons refined lead at £18 ton.

11th November 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 4599 oz of fine silver at 4/97/16 an oz, they paid the company £1100 12s 10d.

18th November 1879 LLC 33

Sold J G East 500 tons common lead at £17 ton.

Sold Foskett & Co 300 tons common lead and 200 tons refined lead at £18 ton.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 100 tons flake litharge at £18 ton.

30th December 1879 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 1944 oz of fine silver at 4/81/2 an oz, they paid the company £457 13s 0d.

6th January 1880 LLC 33

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten Assistants was read.

Mr John William Birch Governor
Mr Herbert Barnard Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Edward Masterman
Mr Henry John Tritton
Mr Samuel Christie Miller
Mr John Garrett Cattley
Mr Charles William Mills

Mr Henry Ford Barclay
Mr David Simpson Morice
Mr William Knox Wigram
Mr Isaac Braithwaite
Mr George Wodhouse Currie

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 with an allowance of £50 per annum for coals candles &c. as stipulated in the Resolution of 30th January 1872.

Sold J G East 300 tons common lead at £19 ton.

Sold Locke Blackett 150 tons common lead at £19 ton.

27th January 1880 LLC 30

Sold Johnson Mathey 2341 oz of fine silver at 4/87/8 an oz, they paid the company £554 15s 4d.

17th February 1880 LLC 30

Sold Johnson Mathey 5584 oz of fine silver at 4/81/2 an oz, they paid the company £1314 11s 4d.

9th March 1880 LLC 30

Sold Johnson Mathey 2297 oz of fine silver at 4/713/16 an oz, they paid the company £534 3s 5d.

23rd March 1880 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 1381.5 oz of fine silver at 4/81/16 an oz, they paid the company £322 11s 3d.

13th April 1880 LLC 33

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 100 tons common flake litharge at £18 ton.

20th April 1880 LLC 30

Sold Johnson Mathey 6662 oz of fine silver at 4/715/16 an oz, they paid the company £1552 14s 7d.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 50 tons flake litharge at £18 ton.

Sold Foskett & Co 300 tons refined lead at £17 ton.

27th April 1880 LLC 33

Sold Sankey & Co 100 tons common flake litharge at £18 10s ton.

18th May 1880 LLC 30

Sold Johnson Mathey 1683 oz of fine silver at 4/81/4 an oz, they paid the company £394 9s 0d.

15th June 1880 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 9389 oz of fine silver at 4/81/4 an oz, they paid the company £2200 10s 11d.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 100 tons common flake litharge at £16 ton.

23rd June 1880 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 4118 oz of fine silver at 4/85/8 an oz, they paid the company £971 11s 10d. Sold Sankey & Co 50 tons common litharge at £16 10s ton.

29th June 1880 LLC 33

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co about 45 tons slag lead at £15 10s ton.

3rd August 1880 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 3211 oz of fine silver at 4/87/8 an oz, they paid the company £760 18s 9d.

24th August 1880 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 2096 oz of fine silver at 4/83/4 an oz, they paid the company £495 12s 4d.

31st August 1880 LLC 33

The Workmens Fund

The Actuary employed by the General Fund Committee having reported that the fund will bear an annual additional benefit to the members. And the committee of the Workmen's Fund having agreed that the most expedient increase of the benefits now capable of being made, would be the resumption of such part of the original fund rules as applies to the provision of medical attendance and medicines to the members (exclusive of their families), and amend the rules accordingly. The said amendment was sanctioned by the Governor and Company in accordance with rule IX.

7th September 1880 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 2335 oz of fine silver at 4/85/8 an oz, they paid the company £550 18s 3d.

14th September 1880 LLC 33

The seal of the Company be affixed to a deed altering some of the terms of the lease of the Nenthead and Garrigill mines.

21st September 1880 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 4740 oz of fine silver at 4/85/16 an oz, they paid the company £1112 3s 0d.

28th September 1880 LLC 33

Sold Sankey & Co 100 tons common flake litharge at £17 ton.

5th October 1880 LLC 33

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co about 70 to 100 tons slag lead at £15 ton, on the Thames.

12th October 1880 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 1608 oz of fine silver at 4/85/16 an oz, they paid the company £377 5s 1d.

2nd November 1880 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 2665 oz of fine silver at 4/75/16 an oz, they paid the company £621 2s 10d.

9th November 1880 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 6163 oz of fine silver at 4/77/8 an oz, they paid the company £1434 16s 6d.

Sold Tudor & Sons 10 tons best flake litharge at £18 5s ton at Hull.

16th November 1880 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 100 tons common lead at £15 ton.

23rd November 1880 LLC 33

The Governor wrote to Mr. R W Bainbridge expressing the sincere regret with which the Court heard of the death of Mrs. Bainbridge on the 19th November.

30th November 1880 LLC 33

Sold Foskett & Co 500 tons of lead refined and common in equal proportions at £15 ton.

14th December 1880 LLC 33

Sold John Ismay & Co 150 tons refined lead at £15 10s ton.

28th December 1880 LLC 33

Sold Sankey & Co 200 tons common flake litharge at £16 10s ton.

4th January 1881 LLC 33

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten Assistants was read.

Mr John William Birch Governor
Mr Herbert Barnard Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Edward Masterman	Mr Henry Ford Barclay
Mr Henry John Tritton	Mr David Simpson Morice
Mr Samuel Christie Miller	Mr William Knox Wigram
Mr John Garrett Cattley	Mr Isaac Braithwaite
Mr Charles William Mills	Mr George Wodhouse Currie

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 with an allowance of £50 per annum for coals candles &c. as stipulated in the Resolution of 30th January 1872.

18th January 1881 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 6167 oz of fine silver at 4/7 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £1416 9s 7d.

1st March 1881 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 4759 oz of fine silver at 4/8 5/16 an oz, they paid the company £1116 12s 7d.

Sold Foskett & Co 1000 tons common lead at £14 ton and 500 tons common lead at £14 10s ton.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 300 tons refined lead at £15 10s ton.

15th March 1881 LLC 33

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 100 tons common flake litharge at £15 10s ton.

22nd March 1881 LLC 33

Sold Johnson Mathey 4109 oz of fine silver at 4/8 1/16 an oz, they paid the company £959 16s 9d.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 100 tons of common flake litharge at £15 10s ton.

29th March 1881 LLC 33

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 50 tons slag lead at £14 10s ton, on the Thames.

26th April 1881 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3710 oz of fine silver at 4/8 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £867 12s 0d.

17th May 1881 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2167 oz of fine silver at 4/715/16 an oz, they paid the company £505 1s 4d.

24th May 1881 LLC 34

Sold Robert Fell & Sons 100 tons common lead at £14 2s 6d ton at Skipton.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 200 tons common lead at £14 10s ton.

Sold Foskett & Co 2000 tons common lead at £13 ton.

31st May 1881 LLC 34

Sold Fawcett & Waugh 100 tons common lead at £14 15s ton.

Sold S Tudor & Sons 10 tons common flake litharge at £16 5s ton, and 50 tons refined lead at £15 12s 6d ton at Hull.

7th June 1881 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 1722 oz of fine silver at 4/73/4 an oz, they paid the company £400 0s 1d.

14th June 1881 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 5347 oz of fine silver at 4/77/16 an oz, they paid the company £1235 2s 0d.

19th July 1881 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3764 oz of fine silver at 4/7 an oz, they paid the company £862 11s 8d.

Sold Robert Fell & Sons 50 tons common lead at £14 10s ton.

Sold Champion Hankey & Co 1200 tons refined lead at £15 ton.

2nd August 1881 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 1757 oz of fine silver at 4/73/8 an oz, they paid the company £405 7s 10d.

Sold Robert Fell & Sons 120 tons common lead at £14 7s 6d ton at Skipton.

Sold Foskett & Co 3000 tons common lead at £13 10s ton.

16th August 1881 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3074 oz of fine silver at 4/79/16 an oz, they paid the company £711 13s 3d.

23rd August 1881 LLC 34

Sold Robert Fell & Sons 100 tons common lead at £14 12s 6d ton.

30th August 1881 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 1859 oz of fine silver at 4/711/16 an oz, they paid the company £431 6s 11d.

13th September 1881 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2230 oz of fine silver at 4/711/16 an oz, they paid the company £517 8s 7d. Sold Alexander Ferguson & Co 90 tons refined lead at £15 12s 6d at Glasgow.

20th September 1881 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 1583 oz of fine silver at 4/73/4 an oz, they paid the company £367 14s 4d.

11th October 1881 LLC 34

Read a letter from Messrs. Clarke's, Rawlins and Clarke with reference to the seal of the Company being affixed to a deed of surrender, also the surrender its self, of the remaining

portion of the Company's Stanhope property sold to Dr. Arneson, Mr John G Millican having certified that he had perused the same on behalf of the Company.
The Company seal is to be affixed on Thursday next.

18th October 1881 LLC 34

The seal was affixed to the surrender of the Stanhope property.

1st November 1881 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3391 oz of fine silver at 4/715/16 an oz, they paid the company £790 7s 0d.

8th November 1881 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 6114.5 oz of fine silver at 4/715/16 an oz, they paid the company £1425 2s 6d.

27th December 1881 LLC 34

Sold Alexander & Co 180 tons refined lead at £16 ton at Glasgow.

3rd January 1882 LLC 34

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants was read.

Mr John William Birch Governor
Mr William Knox Wigram Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Edward Masterman	Mr Henry Ford Barclay
Mr Henry John Tritton	Mr George Wodhouse Currie
Mr Samuel Christie Miller	Mr Charles William Mills
Mr John Garrett Cattley	Mr Isaac Braithwaite

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 with an allowance of £50 per annum for coals candles &c. as stipulated in the Resolution of 30th January 1872.

10th January 1882 LLC 34

Sold Robert Fell & Sons 100 tons common lead at £15 2s 6d ton at Skipton.
Sold Byers & Co 100 tons common lead at £14 17s 6d at Stockton.

17th January 1882 LLC 34

Sold Baxendale & Co 50 tons common lead at £15 7s 6d at Manchester.

24th January 1882 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2007 oz of fine silver at 4/81/16 an oz, they paid the company £468 16s 5d.
Sold Champion Druce Harris & Co 48000 pieces of refined lead at £14 15s ton.

31st January 1882 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3263 oz of fine silver at 4/81/16 an oz, they paid the company £762 4s 4d. Sold James & Waugh 100 tons common lead at £14 10s ton.

21st February 1882 LLC 34

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 100 tons common flake litharge at £15 10s ton.

28th February 1882 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 6192 oz of fine silver at 4/81/16 an oz, they paid the company £1446 8s 3d.

28th March 1882 LLC 34

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 200 tons common flake litharge at £15 10s ton.

With the view of simplifying the accounts of this Company having considered that there are 100 shares in its books for which no owners have appeared for periods varying from 75 to 150 years, and no claims made upon them for dividends and return of Capital, recommend that the said 100 shares be cancelled and the number of shares in the Company be henceforth stated at 9500 instead of 9600, and that the amount now standing at the Credit of the unclaimed dividend and return of Capital account be applied in reduction of the loss for the last year.

4th April 1882 LLC 34

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 50 tons slag lead at £14 ton.

Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons common lead at £14 10s ton at Skipton.

11th April 1882 LLC 34

Sold Locke Lancaster 50 tons slag lead at £14 ton

25th April 1882 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 5940 oz of fine silver at 4/83/16 an oz, they paid the company £1390 12s 9d.

2nd May 1882 LLC 34

Sold Foskett & Co 250 tons refined lead at £14 ton.

22nd May 1882 LLC 34

Sold Foskett & Co 250 tons of refined lead at £14 ton.

30th May 1882 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3148 oz of fine silver at 4/83/16 an oz, they paid the company £736 19s 10d.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 500 tons common lead at £14 ton, and 100 tons common litharge at £15 5s ton.

Sold Champion & Co 500 tons refined leads at £14 10s ton.

Sold Foskett & Co 110 tons common lead at £14 ton.

6th June 1882 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 1570 oz of fine silver at 4/83/16 an oz, they paid the company £367 11s 2d.

Sold John G East 300 tons common lead at £14 5s ton.

Sold Foskett & Co 200 tons refined lead at £14 10s ton

Sold Sankey & Co 50 tons common flake litharge at £16 ton.

4th July 1882 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3075 oz of fine silver at 4/8 an oz, they paid the company £717 10s 0d.

11th July 1882 LLC 34

Resolved that a Special General Meeting of The Proprietors of the Company be called and held at the Company's office on 1st August next to take into consideration an offer to purchase the freehold and leasehold property, mining rights and effects of the Company in the Alston Moor district, subject so far as regarding the leasehold portion to the consent of the lessors.

18th July 1882 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3615 oz of fine silver at 4/7 11/16 an oz, they paid the company £815 11s 9d.

Read a letter from Mr. Joseph W Swan of this date stating that he had enclosed the agreement for the purchase of the Alston Moor Mines and property, which was handed to Mr. Rawlins who was present to get it stamped.

21st July 1882. London Gazette

Lead Office, July 18, 1882.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Special General Court of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelling down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal will be held at the Company's House, in Martin's lane, Cannon street, on Tuesday, the 1st August, at twelve o'clock at noon precisely, to take into consideration, and, if thought expedient, to accept an offer made for the purchase of the freehold and leasehold property, mining rights, and the effects of the Company in the Alston Moor District.

John Elliott, Secretary.

25th July 1882 LLC 34

Sold Sankey & Co 50 tons common flake litharge at £15 15s ton.

1st August 1882 LLC 34

Sold Foskett & Co 500 tons common lead at £14 ton.

15th August 1882 LLC 34

Resolved that in accordance with the resolution the general Court of Proprietors of the Corporation at the ballot this day taken the offer of Messrs. J C Swan and Joseph W Swan as contained in their letter dated the 30th June 1882 for purchase of the freehold and leasehold properties known as Priorsdale, Nenthead and Garrigill with the mining plant stocks etc. as mentioned in their said letter be and the same is hereby accepted and that the solicitors of the company be instructed to prepare the proper form of letter to be written by the secretary to Messrs. Swan informing them of the acceptance of their offer and to do everything needful for carrying out the sale.

22nd August 1882 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2692 oz of fine silver at 4/8 an oz, they paid the company £628 2s 8d.

5th September 1882 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2521 oz of fine silver at 4/8 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £589 10s 11d.

12th September 1882 LLC 34

Resolved that the salary of Mr. C E Bainbridge be increased to the sum of £500 per annum.

3rd October 1882 LLC 34

Received £10,000 from Messrs. Swan.

10th October 1882 LLC 34

Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons common lead at £14 5s ton.

17th October 1882 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 6007 oz of fine silver at 4/7 13/16 an oz, they paid the company £1396 18s 9d.

31st October 1882 LLC 34

Sold Byers & Co 50 tons common lead at £14 ton.

14th November 1882 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 7151 oz of fine silver at 4/73/8 an oz, they paid the company £1649 18s 11d.

19th December 1882 LLC 34

Sold Alexander Ferguson & Co 180 tons refined lead at £14 15s ton.

27th December 1882 LLC 34

That in view of the curtailed operations of the Company and to save unnecessary expense the first Bye Law regulating the election of a Governor, Deputy Governor and ten assistants be and hereby altered as follows, namely.

There shall be one Governor and one Deputy Governor as required by the charter and there shall be eight assistants and no more.

2nd January 1883 LLC 34

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants was read.

Mr John William Birch Governor
Mr William Knox Wigram Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Edward Masterman	Mr Henry Ford Barclay
Mr Henry John Tritton	Mr George Wodhouse Currie
Mr Samuel Christie Miller	Mr Charles William Mills
Mr John Garrett Cattley	Mr Isaac Braithwaite

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 with an allowance of £50 per annum for coals candles &c. as stipulated in the Resolution of 30th January 1872.

30th January 1883 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3344 oz of fine silver at 4/65/16 an oz, they paid the company £756 15s 1d.

Received from Messrs Swan a bankers draft for £13,400 for ore, lead, stores and materials resting in the Alston Moor district at 30th September last.

20th February 1883 LLC 34

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 600 pieces of slag lead at £13 ton.

6th March 1883 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2311 oz of fine silver at 4/7 an oz, they paid the company £529 12s 1d.

13th March 1883 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2811 oz of fine silver at 4/71/8 an oz, they paid the company £645 13s 0d. Mr Henry Tritton resigned his position as a member of the Court. A Court was to be held on the 3rd April next to elect a replacement for Mr Tritton, Mr F H Janson having expressed his intelligence to accept a seat at the Court his name will be submitted for the approval of the shareholders.

10th April 1883 LLC 34

Mr Frederick Halsey Janson as assistant made and signed the declaration appointed by the Charter & Bye Laws.

1st May 1883 LLC 34

Received a banker's draft of £10,000 being the second instalment due from Messrs. Swan for the Alston Moor Mines and properties under their agreement of 30th June 1882.

22nd May 1883 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3543 oz of fine silver at 4/61/8 an oz, they paid the company £799 0s 5d.

29th May 1883 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 1956 oz of fine silver at 4/61/16 an oz, they paid the company £440 12s 3d.

5th June 1883 LLC 34

The Directors desiring to take steps with a view to modify the present liability of the Company in respect of the Workmens Fund.

Resolved that the Solicitor be instructed to prepare a form of notice of reduction of rate of interest (as suggested in Mr Darry's opinion) and to submit it to the Board for consideration and further to advice as to the course to be taken preparatory to an investment of a portion of the money in the Government Funds.

12th June 1883 LLC 34

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 50 tons slag lead at £12 10s ton.

26th June 1883 LLC 34

Resolved that the sum of £30,000 be invested in consols for the Workmen's Fund, in the names of William Knox Wigram, Edward Masterman, Charles William Mills & Frederick Halsey Janson..

The following letter from Mr Bainbridge of the 25th inst to the Court with reference to the Workmen's Fund was read Viz.

"I have the pleasure of informing you that at a meeting of the members of the General Fund Committee held at my office today it was unanimously resolved that the proposition of the Court made in their communication of the 12th inst for present investment in the 3 per cent of a portion of the Fund money in the name of four members of the Court, the dividend upon the stock so purchased to be credited to the Workmans Fund Account as received while the interest now paid at the rate of 4 per cent will cease from the date such investment be sanctioned. And that an expression of grateful thanks be conveyed to the Court for their continued countenance of the object of the fund."

3rd July 1883 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2964 oz of fine silver at 4/65/8 an oz, they paid the company £674 12s 5d.

Sold Sankey & Co 50 tons flake litharge at £15 5s ton.

10th July 1883 LLC 34

Resolved that Messrs. Swan be informed that the Court are not prepared to accept any variation in the terms of the proposal already submitted and that the stipulations of the contract of 30 June 1882 for the sale of the Nenthead properties must therefore be complied with and the Court will expect the £10000 due on the 29th instant to be paid on that day.

24th July 1834 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 4047 oz of fine silver at 4/65/16 an oz, they paid the company £915 17s 1d.

31st July 1883 LLC 34

Sold Tudor & Son 10 tons common flake litharge at £14 15s ton at Hull.

7th August 1883 LLC 34

Sold Champion Druce Harris & Co 300 tons refined lead at £12 10s ton, and 200 tons refined lead at £13 ton.

14th August 1883 LLC 34

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons common lead at £12 10s ton at Skipton.

11th September 1883 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Matthey 1516 oz of fine silver at 4/69/16 an oz, they paid the company £344 13s 0d.

25th September 1883 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Matthey 3675 oz of fine silver at 4/63/4 an oz, they paid the company £838 7s 2d.

16th October 1883 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Matthey 4204 oz of fine silver at 4/67/8 an oz, they paid the company £961 4s 6d.

23rd October 1883 LLC 34

Sold Foskett & Co 100 tons common lead at £11 17s 6d ton at Middleton.

6th November 1883 LLC 34

Sold Sankey & Co 100 tons common flake litharge at £14 10s ton.

20th November 1883 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Matthey 5486 oz of fine silver at 4/613/16 an oz, they paid the company £1252 11s 6d.

4th December 1883 LLC 34

Sold Foskett & Co 400 tons common lead and 100 tons refined lead at £11 5s ton.

Sold Messrs Schwarm & Co 500 tons common lead at £11 10s ton.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 2890 pieces of slag lead at £11 10s ton.

11th December 1883 LLC 34

Sold Foskett & Co 200 tons refined lead at £11 15s ton, and 300 tons common lead at £11 10s ton.

17th December 1883 LLC 34

Resolved that an extraordinary General Court be held on Tuesday 8th January next to consider registering the Corporation as a Ltd. Company under the Companies act 1862 to 1883.

21st December 1883. London Gazette

Lead Office, December 17, 1883.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Adjourned General Half-yearly Court of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal will be held at the Company's House, 9, Martin's lane,

Cannon street, in the city of London, on Tuesday, the 8th day of January next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon; and that immediately after the conclusion of the business of the said

Adjourned General Court, an Extraordinary General Court of the said Corporation will be held for the purpose of considering the expediency of registering the Corporation as a Limited Company under the Companies Acts, 1862 to 1883, and, if approved of, giving the required assent to Us being so registered, and passing all resolutions needed for that purpose. By order of the Court of Assistants,

John Elliott, Secretary.

1st January 1884 LLC 34

The seal of the Company be affixed to six deeds of conveyance of freehold and leasehold properties situated at Priorsdale, Nenthead and Garrigill and two deeds of assignment of mines in Alston Moor which were sold to John Cameron Swan and Joseph Wilson Swan but which have now become seated in the Nenthead and Tynedale Lead and Zinc Company.

9th January 1884 LLC 34

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants was read.

Mr William Knox Wigram Governor
Mr John Garrett Cattley Deputy Governor
Assistants

Mr Edward Masterman	Mr Henry Ford Barclay
Mr Frederick Halsey Janson	Mr George Wodhouse Currie
Mr Samuel Christie Miller	Mr Charles William Mills
Mr Thomas Barkworth	Mr Isaac Braithwaite

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 with an allowance of £50 per annum for coals candles &c. as stipulated in the Resolution of 30th January 1872.

15th January 1884 LLC 34

The secretary reported that he had received from Messrs. Swan £30,562 7s 7d in payment of the purchase money for the Nenthead etc. properties and mines and for zinc ore and stores.

22nd January 1884 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 5029 oz of fine silver at 4/67/8 an oz, they paid the company £1149 17s 2d.

29th January 1884 LLC 34

Letter from Mr. Bainbridge of the 24th instant with reference to the Workmen's Fund. I have the pleasure of informing you that at a meeting of the members of the General Fund Committee held at the Company's office here yesterday it was unanimously Resolved that the proposition of the Court made in their communication of the 15th instant for investment in 3 per cents of a further sum of £25,000, or the balance resting in their hands at 31 December last as they May afterwards decide upon the sum involved to be placed in the names of four directors as before, the dividend upon such investments to be credited to the Workmen's Fund account as received while the interest now paid by the Company at the rate of four per cent will cease from the date of the investment, be sanctioned and approved. And that an expression of grateful acknowledgement and thanks be conveyed to the Court for their continued countenance of the objects of the fund.

Resolved that £27,732 3s 2d be invested in consols for the Workmen's Fund.

Resolved. That the offer of £10,300 made by Messrs J & J Greenwood on the 11th December last for the freehold of the Martins Lane & Laurence Pountney Lane premises be accepted.

5th February 1884 LLC 34

Resolved that the Court having well considered the effect of the votes taken at the meeting on the 22nd January, have come to the determination to place their seals at the disposal of the shareholders. And the Governor is requested to inform the shareholders of this resolution, and to give them notice of a day to be fixed for the election of a new Court.

The date chosen was the 4th March next.

19th February 1884 LLC 34

Read a letter from Messrs Clarke, Rawlins & Co of the 11th inst enclosing agreement with Messrs J & J Greenwood for the sale of the Company's Freeholds in Martins Lane and Laurence Pountney Lane for the attachment of the Company Seal. Which was affixed accordingly.

Read a letter from Messrs J & J Greenwood of this date offering to let this Company the office now occupied there for £30 for 3 months to Midsummer next. The offer was accepted.

26th February 1884 LLC 34

Resolved that the members of this Court previously to separating desire unanimously to put upon record their sense of faithful service of their Superintendent R W Bainbridge Esq. during the long period through which he has been in the employment of the Company, and of their warm and sincere personal regard for him.

Ordered that the secretary be instructed to send a copy of the above resolution to Mr Bainbridge.

4th March 1884 LLC 34

The new Governor, Deputy Governor and Assistants were elected by the shareholders.

Mr Frederick Halsey Janson Governor

Mr Leonard Shuter Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Thomas Barkworth

Mr George Wodehouse Currie

Mr William John Foskett

Mr Henry Tuke Mennell

Mr William Henry Christie Miller

Mr John Schofield

Mr Robert Skeet

10th April 1884 LLC 34

The following report of the Deputation was laid before the Court.

It does not appear possible to effect any economies, which would so reduce the cost of production as to enable the Company to carry on business without a heavy loss.

The only hope lies in a substantial rise in the price of lead or a great success in discovery of veins of lead or silver ore.

The prospects of finding silver at Ashgillhead are encouraging and the lead market is rising.

It appeared to the Deputation on the whole desirable to continue operations at all points for the present effecting all the reductions of expenditure that can be prudently made and realising the Middleton residence and adjoining property (not the cottages or small houses at present) during the coming season.

The Deputation recommend the Court pension Mr. Bainbridge senior and to appoint Mr. C Bainbridge Superintendent and General Manager at a salary not exceeding £500 per annum with a house rent free with powers and duties to be hereafter defined.

Letters from Mr. Bainbridge resigning his office and from his son withdrawing his letter of 31st March in which he resigned his employment were read accepted.

Resolved that a payment be made to Mr. Bainbridge of £2000 equivalent of a life annuity of £410. And that he leave the residence and give up vacant possession at Midsummer. Also that his present salary be paid up to that date.

Resolved that Mr. Charles Bainbridge be appointed General Manager with powers and duties to be hereafter prescribed at a salary of £500 and that he be granted a fortnights leave of absence. Also that he be desired to come up to attend the Court on 29th instant.

22nd April 1884 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3021 oz of fine silver at 4/63/4 an oz, they paid the company £689 3s 4d.

Sold R Fell & Sons 200 tons common lead at £11 10s ton.

29th April 1884 LLC 34

The rearrangement of the office, mill and mining staff and the salaries and wages to be paid to its members as recommended by Mr. C Bainbridge be approved subject to some unimportant alterations, and that he be requested to carry them into immediate effect. And that Mr. Bainbridge be instructed to inform all the officials and staff that their engagements are terminable by three months notice on either side, and that such engagements carry no right to pension.

6th May 1884 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2926 oz of fine silver at 4/7 an oz, they paid the company £670 10s 10d. Resolved That a gratuity of 25 guineas be given the Secretary towards his expenses in removing from the Company's House in Martins Lane.

13th May 1884 LLC 34

Sold Grey & Marten 25 tons common lead at £11 5s ton.

Mr Scarth the Duke of Cleveland's agent attended the Court on the subject of the Royalties; a complete suspension of Royalties for the present being contended for on the part of the Court.

20th May 1884 LLC 34

Resolved that the Governor be desired to inform Mr Scarth, that in consequence of the late Superintendent's retirement from the service of the Company, Middleton House and grounds will shortly be in the market, and to enquire if the Duke of Cleveland be inclined to treat for purchase.

27th May 1884 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3341 oz of fine silver at 4/615/16 an oz, they paid the company £765 9s 3d.

10th June 1884 LLC 34

Sold Walker Parker & Co 200 tons common lead at £11 ton.

17th June 1884 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3096 oz of fine silver at 4/615/16 an oz, they paid the company £708 13s 10d.

Sold Grey & Marten 25 tons common lead at £11 5s ton.

Sold Foskett & Co 200 tons common lead at £10 10s ton.

Mr Scarth again attended the Court on the subject of Royalties and the following arrangement was agreed to.

The Duke of Cleveland agrees to forego payment of all Royalties absolutely for the two terms commencing on the 1st instant and expiring at the end of the second term in February next on the following conditions.

1st. That the Company employ not less than 30 men during that time in exploration and Dead work, the manner and locality in which such men are to be employed being arranged between Mr. Scarth and the Company's Superintendent.

2nd. That not more than 220 men the present number be employed in raising ore.

3rd. The reducing scale of Dues recommended by Mr. Foster is to be paid from the last settlement to the 1st June instant.

4th. That the Company pay the fees of the engineer and accountants called in by the Duke of Cleveland to investigate the accounts, such amounts not to exceed £250.

24th June 1884 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2152 oz of fine silver at 4/613/16 an oz, they paid the company £491 9s 8d.

Sold Foskett & Co 200 tons common lead at £10 10s ton.

Sold S Tudor & Son 20 tons common flake litharge at £13 17s 6d ton.

8th July 1884 LLC 34

The Governor is to communicate with Mr. Porter financial secretary to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners with reference to obtaining a total suspension of Royalties under the lease granted by them as has been arranged with the Duke of Cleveland.

15th July 1884 LLC 34

Mr. Bainbridge be instructed to carry on the Stanhope Mill with the view that it will be closed at the end of the year.

That with this object the ores now at the mill be smelted as rapidly as possible and any ores that can be economically diverted to Egglestone be sent there so as to keep that mill at full work and to ensure that at the end of the year there shall be no accumulation of ore at Stanhope.

That the stock of materials at Stanhope be reduced as far as practicable and stores be kept at the lowest possible point.

29th July 1884 LLC 34

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons common lead at £11 ton at Skipton.

The Governor and Mr Foskett had met Mr Parker the Financial Secretary to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners with reference to a suspension of Royalty in Weardale, and he had promised to bring the subject before the Board at their next meeting on Thursday 31st instant. The company supplied a financial statement to Mr Parker.

5th August 1884 LLC 34

The Ecclesiastical Commission had forwarded the company's application to Mr Lindsay Wood their mineral advisor for his report.

Sold Champion Druce Harris & Co 200 tons refined lead at £11 2s 6d ton, and 200 tons refined lead at £11 7s 6d.

7th August 1884 LLC 34

Resolved that the sum of £12,000 be named to the Duke of Cleveland through Mr Scarth as the price for Middleton House and grounds and field in front of the house.

12th August 1884 LLC 34

Sold Foskett & Co 200 tons common lead at £10 12s 6d ton.

26th August 1884 LLC 34

Sold Walker Parker & Co 200 tons common lead at £10 15s ton.

2nd September 1884 LLC 34

Sold Walker Parker & Co 200 tons common lead at £10 12s 6d ton.

9th September 1884 LLC 34

Mr. Bainbridge was instructed on the termination of the existing bargains, to reduce the underground and surface expenditure for labour, stores and materials at the mines to the value of the ores raised, taking such value at £2 10s per Bing and that all ore Bargains be discontinued that will not yield a profit taking the ore at 45/- per Bing.

16th September 1884 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 5427 oz of fine silver at 4/63/4 an oz, they paid the company £1238 0s 9d.

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 25 tons litharge at £13 ton.

Sold Fawcett & Waugh 100 tons common lead at £10 15s ton.

Resolved That the Superintendent be desired to give notice to all persons in the Company's employ at Stanhope Mill to terminate the engagements with them as the Court has decided to close the mill as soon as a general clearing up can be effected.
Resolved. That all ore in future be sent to Egglestone Mill.

23rd September 1884 LLC 34

Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons common lead at £10 7s 6d at Romaldkirk.
Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons common lead at £11 2s 6d at Skipton.
Sold Walker Parker & Co 100 tons common lead at £10 15s 0d at Blaydon.
That the Superintendent be directed to give notice to all persons in the Company's employ at Stanhope Mill to terminate the engagements with them as the Court has decided to close the mill as soon as a general clearing up can be effected.
Resolved that all ore in future be sent to Egglestone mill.
The bookkeeping of the Workmen's Fund be transferred to the Fund committee at 31 October next and that the Fund committee be requested to take over the whole of the books at that date.

30th September 1884 LLC 34

Sold Walker Parker & Co 100 tons common lead at £11 ton.

13th October 1884 LLC 34

Sold R Fell & Sons 200 tons common lead at £11 10s ton at Skipton.

21st October 1884 LLC 34

Resolved that the pension to Mr. Hyslop late schoolmaster at the Company's school at Middleton in Teesdale be discontinued after 31st December 1884.

4th November 1884 LLC 34

Sold Foskett & Co 100 tons common lead at £11 ton.
The Superintendent was authorised to purchase, if it can be done immediately 100 tons of lead ore for smelting at Stanhope mill, at such a price as will without doubt entail no loss, taking as the basis of such purchase £10 10s ton as the value of market lead delivered to wharf subject to the usual discount of 2.5%. It is understood that the operation can be completed in a fortnight as stated in Mr C E Bainbridge letter to Mr Foskett of the 29th Ultimo.

11th November 1884 LLC 34

The Middleton Teesdale school board informed the Court that they are ready to entertain a proposal for purchasing the Company's school whenever they are in a position to offer it for sale.

18th November 1884 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 9375 oz of fine silver at 4/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £2099 12s 2d.

25th November 1884 LLC 34

Resolved that in future the tribute bargains are not to be let for longer periods than a month of 4 weeks except for the 3rd month of every quarter for which month the bargains are to be let for 5 weeks.

9th December 1884 LLC 34

Resolved that in future all payments except for wages and petties are to be made from the London Office, and in order to carry this into effect the whole of the personal accounts now kept in the North are to be transferred to London Ledgers.
Resolved That except in cases of emergency or of small amounts, no orders be given for stores, materials or general supplies until after a requisition has been sent up to and assented to

by the Court; and that all persons supplying articles to the Lead Company be required to send services in every case in duplicate, one of which is to be immediately examined and signed in the usual way and sent to the London Office.

Resolved that notice be given to Mr William Pikney that his services will not be required after the closing of Stanhope Mill on the 31st instant; and that Mr Bolton be informed that on the closing of Stanhope Mill, he will be transferred to Egglestone, the clearing up to be conducted by the Mill Overman.

6th January 1885 LLC 34

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants was read.

Mr Frederick Halsey Janson Governor
Mr Leonard Shuter Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Lieut Col Thomas Harvey Bramston	Mr George Wodehouse Currie
Mr William John Foscett	Mr Henry Tuke Mennell
Mr Edward Horne	Mr John Schofield
Mr Robert Skeet	

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £375

Sold Johnson Mathey 2577.5 oz of fine silver at 4/5 13/16 an oz, they paid the company £577 18s 5d.

Sold Robert Fell & Son 100 tons common lead at £11 7s 6d ton.

13th January 1885 LLC 34

Resolved that the recent correspondence with the Superintendent in relation to the apparent excess of loss on smelting and Crystallising be referred to a committee consisting of Mr Schofield, Mr Foscitt and Mr Mennell with instructions to examine into the subject and report.

Resolved That Richard Bell be allowed to take the place of his brother Mark from the time at which he returns to this Country it being understood that Mr Bell senr will retire when the Directors consider that Richard Bell no longer requires his fathers supervision & instruction.

The subject of the price of Market lead as a basis for the valuation of stocks of ore lead &c. to 31st October last was brought forward for reconsideration.

Resolved That the price of £11 per ton of Market lead as fixed on the 28th October be adhered to as a basis for such valuation.

27th January 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 1848.5 oz of fine silver at 4/5 5/8 an oz, they paid the company £413 0s 5d.

Sold Johnson Mathey 1600 oz of fine silver at 4/5 3/8 an oz, they paid the company £355 16s 8d.

10th February 1885 LLC 34

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons common lead at £11 ton.

A sample of 81 tons of Australian lead ores were sent to Mr Bainbridge and he has replied by telegraph that bought ore is not required as Egglestone Mill is fully supplied from our own mines.

17th February 1885 LLC 34

A letter from Mr. Bainbridge of the 11th inst. stating that the balance of the Workmen's fund resting in the Company's hands on the 31st January was £58,170 14s 7d.

24th February 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3057 oz of fine silver at 4/45/8 an oz, they paid the company £670 6s 2d.
Sold Walker Parker & Co 50 tons slag lead at £10 10s ton.

The following advertisement was inserted in suitable London & Provincial papers.

“The Court of Directors of the Lead Company offer for sale by tender 500 tons of refined English pig lead and 500 tons common English pig lead the produce of the Company’s mines in Teesdale and Weardale and bearing their well known brand. The Directors also offer for sale 250 tons of slag lead of the Company’s make and brand.

The lead will be delivered at either of the Company’s wharfs at Blaydon on Tyne or Middlesbrough on Tees or at Romalldkirk station on the Middleton in Teesdale branch of the North Eastern Railway at the option of the purchasers. ...”

10th March 1885 LLC 34

Sold S Tudor & So 20 tons flake litharge at £12 15s ton at Hull.

Sold H Grace & Co 5 tons of flake litharge at £12 10s ton at Middleton.

Sold James & Co 100 tons common lead at £10 10s ton.

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 50 tons common lead at £10 10s ton.

The expenditure of £1200 at Lady’s Rake and £1,500 at Wiregill in accordance with the Superintendents suggestions contained in the last Bargain reports was authorised.

17th March 1885 LLC 34

Sold R Fell & Sons 150 tons common lead at £10 15s ton, and 20 tons slag lead at £10 10s ton at Skipton.

The question of adopting the Rachett Furnace smelting process was considered. Thomas Elliot was authorised to go to Middleton to discuss this with the Superintendent and a joint report to be submitted to the Court after the visit.

Mr Thomas Elliott to be paid £4 a week and his travelling expenses for the time occupied by his visit, and that if the Court agree to erect one of the furnaces he be employed at the same remuneration to superintend its erection.

24th March 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3333 oz of fine silver at 4/51/16 an oz, they paid the company £736 18s 1d.

Sold Champion & Co 600 tons refined lead at £10 15s ton.

8th April 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2433.5 oz of fine silver at 4/47/8 an oz, they paid the company £536 2s 7d.

Sold Sankey & Co 11.25 tons common flake litharge at £12 10s ton.

Sold James & Co 200 tons common lead at £10 10s ton.

The Court received the report on the Rachett smelting Furnaces and decided to adjourn any decision for 6 months, as it is believed in that the course of the next 6 months they would reduce the cost of smelting in the ore hearths to 10/- per ton.

An intersecting vein of promising appearance has been cut at East End of Lady’s Rake mine.

Resolved That Mr Bainbridge be requested to send up to the Court fortnightly reports of mining progress in same form as the Weardale Company’s Mines report printed in the Mining Journal.

Referring to a letter of 1st August last from Mr Ade Book Porter (Ecclesiastical Commissioners) in which it is stated that the Commissioners have referred the Lead Company’s application to their mineral advisor Mr Lindsay Wood for his report after investigation

Resolved That the Governor be desired to write to Mr Porter and enquire if such report has been received and if they are now prepared to proceed with negotiation of the subject.

21st April 1885 LLC 34

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 50 tons slag lead at £10 5s ton.
Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 50 tons common lead at £10 10s ton.
Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons common lead at £10 15s ton.

Mr Bainbridge stated that he had received an offer of £1250 for the peat works as they stand, £250 to be paid on 1st May and £1000 in a month thereafter. The offer was accepted.
Proposed that the Governor and Mr Fawcett speak to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners with reference to a reduction in Royalties in the Weardale mines.

28th April 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2696.5 oz of fine silver at 4/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £599 13s 10d. Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 225 tons slag lead at £10 5s ton.
Mr Bainbridge reported that the present expenses at Stanhope Mill are about £100 per month, which may be continued to about the middle of June, but thereafter the cost will be trifling, meanwhile he states that the cost could be more than covered by the lead obtained from smelting fumes and wastes.

5th May 1885 LLC 34

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons common lead at £11 2s 6d ton.
It was decided to advertise Middleton House for sale by auction in the course of the summer.
Read a letter of 4th inst. and a report from Mr Bainbridge with reference to the proposed terms of a new lease of the Bollyhope mines, received from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners.
Resolved That the price of lead as a basis for stock valuation be fixed at £10 12s 6d per ton.

12th May 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3432 oz of fine silver at 4/513/16 an oz, they paid the company £769 10s 4d.
The cost sheets showed the cost of lead to be £10 3s 9d per ton at Wharf.
Resolved That Mr Bainbridge be informed that the Directors are greatly disappointed to find from his letter of the 5th inst that the offer for the Peat Works was after all only conditional upon a purchasing Company being formed, of which they presume Mr Bainbridge could not have been aware when he wrote his letter of 20th April, more especially as default periods were named for part of the instalments.
That it would have been more satisfactory to have known who the parties were that he was treating with, and that the Directors would like to be furnished with the names.
That the Directors do not think that it would be consistent with the interests of the Lead Company that their Manager should take a seat at the Board of the intended Purchasing Company.
That such Company if found might be allowed to have the use of the Barrack Sheds as a temporary arrangement but that it must be distinctly understood that the arrangement would be revocable by the Lead Company at pleasure.

27th May 1885 LLC 34

Sold John G East 100 tons common lead at £10 17s 6d ton.
Sold Royal Arsenal Woolwich 250 tons common lead at £11 5s ton.

2nd June 1885 LLC 34

Sold James & Co 200 tons common lead at £10 17s 6d ton.
The cost of lead for month ending 1st April was £9 17s 10.27 ton at the wharf.
£3,200 will be required on the 10th inst for wages &c.

9th June 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Matthey 2556.5 oz of fine silver at 4/415/16 an oz, they paid the company £563 17s 11d.

Sold J G East 100 tons common lead at £10 17s 6d.

The Court having taken into consideration the present financial position of the Company. Resolved That it be recommended to the Proprietors that the Capital of the Corporation be reduced by £27,200.

That the sum of £2 16s 8d per share be returned to the respective shareholders of this Corporation in July next.

16th June 1885 LLC 34

A letter was written to Mr Lindsay Wood in reply to his communication of 27th April last with reference to a new lease and a reduction of the Weardale mines royalty.

25th June 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Matthey 3093 oz of fine silver at 4/51/16 an oz, they paid the company £683 16s 10d.

Sold J G East 100 tons common lead at £11 ton.

Sold Champion & Co 300 tons refined lead at £11 5s ton, and 300 tons refined lead at £11 7s 6d ton.

Sold Fawcett & Waugh 200 tons common lead at £11 ton.

30th June 1885 LLC 34

Read a letter of 27th inst., from Mr East enclosing a letter from Messrs Walker & Parker & Co., complaining of the quality of some leads lately sent to them.

Resolved That the lead complained of be returned to the mill, and that other lead be sent to replace it.

Mr Bainbridge reported that the reserves and opened ore in sight at the Lady's Rake mine are 1,500 Bings, the present output being 100 Bings monthly.

Mr Bainbridge was requested to report on the present position of the negotiations with regard to the two sales of mining plant in Lunedale and the Peat works in Teesdale.

The Governor is desired to again communicate with Mr Lindsay Wood on the subject of the Weardale mines Royalty and to press for further concessions on his letter of 27th April than that contained in his letter of 29th inst to the Governor.

7th July 1885 LLC 34

Sold Foskett & Co 500 tons common lead at £11 12s 6d ton.

Sold Carrick & Brockbank 100 tons common lead at £12 10s ton at Manchester.

A proposal had been received from Mr London & Mr Bainbridge to rent the Peat Works at £75 a year for 3 years with the option of then purchasing at the price previously agreed upon.

This was agreed to subject to the payment of the rent in advance.

14th July 1885 LLC 34

Repairs to the Horizontal chimney at Egglestone were approved, but for the present the Roasting and Calcining furnaces are not to be disturbed.

21st July 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Matthey 2727 oz of fine silver at 4/51/16 an oz, they paid the company £602 18s 5d.

Sold Foskett & Co 300 tons common lead at £12 ton.

The disused small 6 ton Calcining furnaces which are worked out at Egglestone mill are to be removed and the material used in the repair of the Horizontal chimney.

The Cost Sheets for the month ending 13th June showed the cost of lead during that period to have been £9 11s 5d per ton delivered at the wharf.

25th August 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3093 oz of fine silver at 4/49/16 an oz, they paid the company £677 7s 11d.

Sold Stockton & Middlesborough Water Board 70 tons common lead at £12 7s 6d ton.

Sold James & Co 100 tons common lead at £11 12s 6d ton.

8th September 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2454 oz of fine silver at 4/313/16 an oz, they paid the company £529 12s 7d.

15th September 1885 LLC 34

Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons common lead at £11 12s 6d ton

1st October 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2260 oz of fine silver at 4/3 an oz, they paid the company £480 5s 0d.

Mr Bainbridge reported that the present smelting power at the mill is 480 Tons of ore per month, equal to 14,000 Bings a year.

6th October 1885 LLC 34

In future in quoting for the Company's lead it be described as Selected Refined, Good Soft, and Slag lead, instead of Refined, Common, and Slag respectively.

16th October 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 1914.5 oz of fine silver at 4/215/16 an oz, they paid the company £406 6s 8d.

A letter from Messrs James & Shakespeare stated that an offer of 1400 tons of lead to the Secretary of State for India has been accepted.

The cost of lead for month ending 5th September was £10 9s 8.35 ton at the wharf.

27th October 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 1898 oz of fine silver at 4/35/16 an oz, they paid the company £405 13s 9d.

10th November 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2304 oz of fine silver at 4/31/8 an oz, they paid the company £490 16s 0d.

17th November 1885 LLC 34

Read a letter from Mr Bainbridge of 11th inst., explaining the reasons for the extra cost of producing lead last month and stating that he does not anticipate the cost of lead for the ½ year will exceed £10 per ton.

Also a letter of the 16th inst. stating £2875 will be required on the 25th inst., for wages &c.

24th November 1885 LLC 35

Sold John G East 100 ton soft pig lead at £11 10s ton.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 55 tons slag lead at £11 10s ton.

1st December 1885 LLC 34

Read a letter from Mr Bainbridge with reference to the amount of Royalty payable to the Duke of Cleveland under the sliding scale as arranged by Mr Baker Foster.

8th December 1885 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 1734 oz of fine silver at 4/31/4 an oz, they paid the company £370 5s 7d.

29th December 1885 LLC 34

Sold R Fell & Son 150 tons soft pig lead at £12 10s ton at Skipton.

Read a letter from Mr Scarth of 24th inst., stating that no discussion can alter the present arrangement to the close of the present year.

5th January 1886 LLC 34

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £375

Lead Company for the Year 1886 (*printed note found in LLC 39*)

Frederick Halsey Janson, Esq., Governor

Leonard Shuter, Esq., Deputy Governor

ASSISTANTS

Lieut. Col. Thomas Harvey Bramston

George Wodehouse Currie, Esq.

William John Foskett, Esq.

Edward Horne, Esq

Henry Tuke Mennell, Esq

John Schofield, Esq.

Robert Skeet, Esq

8th January 1886 LLC 34

Resolved That the Court of Assistants taken into consideration the present financial position of the Company and being satisfied that a Joint Stock or Capital of £114,000 is amply sufficient for all the purposes of the Company, do recommend to the next General Court of Proprietors or Shareholders that the Joint Stock or Capital be reduced and diminished to that amount by writing off in reduction and diminution of the Joint Stock or Capital the balance or loss of £57,000 standing to the debit of Profit & Loss account. And that the consideration of the foregoing recommendation do form a part of the business to be dealt with and transacted at the next General Court of Proprietors or Shareholders to be held on the 26th day of January instant, with a view to the passing of such resolutions in regard thereto as may be then determined on, and that notice thereof be given accordingly.

12th January 1886 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 2406 oz of fine silver at 4/21/8 an oz, they paid the company £502 8s 0d.

26th January 1886 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 1769 oz of fine silver at 4/29/16 an oz, they paid the company £372 18s 9d.

9th February 1886 LLC 34

Sold J G East 200 tons soft pig lead at £12 10s ton.

16th February 1886 LLC 34

Sold Mr Nainby 400 tons selected refined lead at £12 15s ton, and 500 tons soft lead at £12 15s ton.

2nd March 1886 LLC 34

Sold Champion & Co 150 tons selected refined lead at £13 7s 6d ton.

The cost statements for the month ending 23rd January last which show the cost of lead at the wharf to be £10 4s 3d per ton

9th March 1886 LLC 34

Sold Johnson Mathey 3418 oz of fine silver at 4/29/16 an oz, they paid the company £720 1s 0d.

Sold James & Co 200 tons soft lead at £13 10s ton.

16th March 1886 LLC 34

A letter received from the Superintendent of the 15th inst enclosing one received from the Surveyor to the Teesdale Highway Board representing that great extra expense the Board had been put to in reopening the roads blocked by recent recurring snow falls and asking the Court to forgo the payment of £57 10s due to the Company on the 25th inst., under the contract with them for repairing roads. Mr Bainbridge suggests that the Company should not forego the payment but that under the exceptional circumstances the Court should make the Highway Board a donation of say £25.

Resolved that a donation of £25 be made to the Teesdale Highway Board such donation to be paid on receipt of the sum due from the Board on the 25th instant.

23rd March 1886 LLC 34

Mr Bainbridge stated that active steps were in progress for clearing up at Egglestone Mill the result of which he will report to the Court.

6th April 1886 LLC 35

The average cost of producing and delivering to the wharf of 1 ton of lead for the 1st four months of the year was £10 8s 2d.

Mr Bolton the Manager at Egglestone Mill reported to Mr Bainbridge that on smelting and clearing up the stocks of ore they had come out to the good by 11 tons 3 cwt.

13th April 1886 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1956 oz of fine silver at 4/25/16 an oz, they paid the company £410 0s 11d.

Sold Hammond & Co 100 tons soft lead at £13 12s 6d ton.

Sold R Fell & Son 100 ton soft lead at £13 15s ton at Skipton.

27th April 1886 LLC 35

Sold J G East 200 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton.

4th May 1886 LLC 35

Sold J G East 100 tons soft lead at £13 3s 9d ton at Skipton.

11th May 1886 LLC 35

Mr. Bainbridge suggested that for Bargain lettings the first half year be of 28 weeks and the last half year of 24 weeks making the present half year terminate on the 15th May and the next half year at the end of October. This was approved.

The rebuilding and restoring of the condensing flues at Egglestone Mill at an estimated cost of £440 10s was authorised.

18th May 1886 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1964 oz of fine silver at 4/01/2 an oz, they paid the company £396 17s 10d.

Mr William Pinkney asked the Court for some allowance in consequence of the failure of the business he had embarked in. A donation of £50 was made to Mr Pinkney.

25th May 1886 LLC 35

Sold Walker Scott & Co 20 pieces of soft lead at £13 ton.

8th June 1886 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2104 oz of fine silver at 4/011/16 an oz, they paid the company £426 16s 7d.

Sold J G East 100 tons soft lead at £13 ton.

Sold J Clavering & Co 100 to 200 tons soft lead at £13 15s ton at Glasgow.

The cost of lead had been £12 10s 1.64 per ton at the wharf, but it is explained that the excessive cost that month is principally owing to there being no silver sent to market or extracted which enhances the cost by about £2 per ton.

22nd June 1886 LLC 35

It was recommended to the proprietors that the Capital of the Corporation be reduced by £19,000. That the sum of £10 per share be returned to the respective shareholders.

29th June 1886 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1949.5 oz of fine silver at 4/01/4 an oz, they paid the company £391 18s 8d. Sold Nainby & Co 1000 tons of soft lead at £13 1s 3d ton.

27th July 1886 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2070 oz of fine silver at 3/111/4 an oz, they paid the company £407 10s 7d.

A dividend of 10s per share was declared and paid.

3rd August 1886 LLC 35

Warrants were signed for the payment of the dividend and return of capital.

£4,750 for the dividend

£19,000 for the return of capital.

17th August 1886 LLC 35

Sold J G East 100 tons of soft lead at £13 ton.

The repairs to chimneys and condensers at Egglestone mill were completed and the smelting resumed.

24th August 1886 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2596.5 oz of fine silver at 3/91/2 an oz, they paid the company £492 5s 0d.

31st August 1886 LLC 35

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Skipton.

7th September 1886 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1869 oz of fine silver at 3/101/8 an oz, they paid the company £359 4s 0d.

28th September 1886 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2158 oz of fine silver at 3/111/2 an oz, they paid the company £427 2s 1d.

Sold J G East 100 tons soft lead at £13 ton.

The Court having heard with regret of the death of S Collingwood the dressing Overman in Weardale. They are disposed to think that it is quite unnecessary to fill up this post and that the necessary supervision can be given by Mr. Wallace.

5th October 1886 LLC 35

Sold Alexander Ferguson & Co 50 tons selected refined lead at £13 5s ton at Glasgow.

Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton.

19th October 1866 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1601 oz of fine silver at 4/011/16 an oz, they paid the company £324 15s 9d. Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £13 ton.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 100 tons slag lead at £12 12s 6d ton.

2nd November 1886 LLC 35

Sold Nainby & Co 385 tons selected refined lead at £13 ton.

Sold Baxendale & Co 200 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Salford station.

Sold J G East 100 ton soft lead at £12 17s 6d ton.

9th November 1886 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2401 oz of fine silver at 4/11/2 an oz, they paid the company £495 4s 1d.

16th November 1886 LLC 35

£3,400 will be required on the 24th inst. for wages &c.

23rd November 1886 LLC 35

Sold J G East 100 tons soft lead at £12 17s 6d.

30th November 1886 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 3181 oz of fine silver at 4/25/8 an oz, they paid the company £670 19s 10d.

The expected increase in ore production at Coldberry mine will not be attended with any additional outlay for miners wages.

14th December 1886 LLC 35

£3,225 will be required on the **22nd** inst. for wages &c.

The number of accidents in the Company's mines since 1875.

Fatal accidents 5

Personal injuries 11

An average of 1 fatal accident in 2 years and 1 injury per year.

Resolved that a cheque for £50 be drawn and sent to Mr Bainbridge as recognition of the Directors satisfaction.

21st December 1886 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1580 oz of fine silver at 4/17/8 an oz, they paid the company £328 6s 11d.

The average cost of lead delivered to the wharf for the past half year was £9 15s 8.8 per ton.

4th January 1887 LLC 35

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants was read.

Frederick Halsey Janson, Esq., Governor

Assistants

Lieut. Col. Thomas Harvey Bramston
Edward Horne, Esq
John Schofield, Esq.

William John Foskett, Esq.
Henry Tuke Mennell, Esq
Robert Skeet, Esq

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £375

Sold Johnson Mathey 1671 oz of fine silver at 4/17/8 an oz, they paid the company £347 5s 1d.

11th January 1887 LLC 35

£3,500 will be required on the 19th inst. for wages &c.

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £12 17s 6d ton at Skipton.

18th January 1887 LLC 35

The Court having laid before them the statement of the advances to the workmen and the losses thereby incurred see with some surprise that there has been a constantly accruing loss on these advances, independently of the balance left in abeyance under the old system.

The Court trust that prompt steps will be taken to reduce the future advances within such limits as will protect the Company against any essential loss.

25th January 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1425 oz of fine silver at 4/211/16 an oz, they paid the company £300 19s 2d.

1st February 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2138 oz of fine silver. (*No prices given*)

15th February 1887 LLC 35

Sold Nainby & Co 1000 tons soft lead at £12 7s 6d ton.

22nd February 1887 LLC 35

Sold Baxendale & Co 200 tons soft lead at £13 ton at Salford station.

1st March 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2085 oz of fine silver at 4/115/16 an oz, they paid the company £433 16s 8d.

8th March 1887 LLC 35

Sold J G East 200 tons soft lead at £12 12s 6d ton.

Mine Barracks for the accommodation of the workmen be erected at Lady's Rake mine, Ashgillhead during the summer at a cost not exceeding £150.

And that the amount of advance balances still remaining due from the workmen to the Company be cancelled and that the Superintendent be instructed to make no further claim in respect of them.

15th March 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2352 oz of fine silver at 4/111/16 an oz, they paid the company £486 18s 9d.

29th March 1887 LLC 35

Mr Bainbridge stated that he had been requested by a deputation of the miners to convey to the Court their grateful thanks for their generous concession made them in cancelling the old outstanding "Advance balances"

The Cost of lead was £10 4s per ton when delivered at the Wharf.

5th April 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2122 oz of fine silver at 4/0 an oz, they paid the company £424 8s 0d.

19th April 1887 LLC 35

Sold Patent White Lead Works 50 tons selected refined lead at £13 5s ton at the Thames.

3rd May 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2543 oz of fine silver at 3/111/16 an oz, they paid the company £505 5s 9d.

Sold Mr Burger 10 tons selected refined lead at £13 2s 6d ton at the Tyne.
The Truck Act had passed its 2nd reading and provides for the payment of all wages weekly in cash without any deductions.
Mr. Bainbridge stated that he is to write to Sir J Pease on the points requiring attention.

17th May 1887 LLC 35

Sold Nainby & Co 500 tons soft lead at £12 ton.

24th May 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2389 oz of fine silver at 3/11 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £469 1s 9d.

Sold Baxendale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £12 10s ton at Manchester.

Sold J G East 100 tons soft lead at £12 2s 6d ton.

31st May 1887 LLC 35

Sold J G East 100 tons soft lead at £12 5s ton.

7th June 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2485 oz of fine silver at 3/11 7/16 an oz, they paid the company £491 15s 4d.

Sold Nainby & Co 15 tons selected refined lead at £12 12s 6d ton.

The sinking of the New shaft at Lady's Rake was authorised.

An offer of £100 by Mr Cobb for 8 weeks occupation of Middleton House as furnished, to include garden produce was accepted. Cost of a ton of lead delivered to the Wharf £9 13s 8d.

14th June 1887 LLC 35

Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £12 15s ton.

30th June 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1286 oz of fine silver at 3/11 7/16 an oz, they paid the company £254 3s 8d.

£5 was subscribed to the Middleton Jubilee Fund.

Ten guineas was given to the fund for rebuilding the Harewood Chapel and Reading room.

Cost of a ton of lead delivered to the Wharf £8 14s 9d.

12th July 1887 LLC 35

Sold Patent White Lead Co 25 tons selected refined lead at £12 15s ton.

Sold Mr East 100 tons soft lead at £12 2s 6d ton.

19th July 1887 LLC 35

Sold James & Co 100 tons soft lead at £12 2s 6d ton.

26th July 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2133 oz of fine silver at 3/11 5/16 an oz, they paid the company £426 0s 11d. Sold Baxendale & Co 25 tons soft lead at £12 10s ton at Manchester.

23rd August 1887 LLC 35

Sold London White Lead Manufacturing Co 25 tons selected refined lead at £12 12s 6d ton and half a ton of slag lead at £12 5s ton.

30th August 1887 LLC 35

Sold Locke Lancaster 690 pieces of slag lead at £12 5s ton.

Sold James & Co 200 tons soft lead at £12 2s 6d ton.

6th September 1887 LLC 35

Sold Baxendale & Co 30 tons soft lead at £12 10s ton at Salford.

13th September 1887 LLC 35

Sold Mr East 100 tons soft lead at £12 3s 9d ton.

20th September 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2460 oz of fine silver at 4/0 an oz, they paid the company £492 0s 0d.

27th September 1887 LLC 35

Sold Mr East 100 tons soft lead at £12 ton.

Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £12 8s 9d ton.

4th October 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2431 oz of fine silver at 4/0 1/16 an oz, they paid the company £486 16s 8d.

Sold James & Co 100 tons soft lead at £12 ton.

11th October 1887 LLC 35

The amount standing to the credit of Stanhope Mill on account of plant and machinery on the 14th May last be transferred to the Eggleston Mill account.

That the silver content of the enriched blocks of processed lead on the 29th instant be ascertained by assay and that the current half-year be credited with the silver thus found to be contained in them.

18th October 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2094.5 oz of fine silver at 3/11 13/16 an oz, they paid the company £417 5s 3d.

25th October 1887 LLC 35

Sold Baxendale & Co 120 tons soft lead at £12 8s 9d ton.

Sold Mr Nainby & Co 500 tons soft lead at £12 2s 6d ton.

1st November 1887 LLC 35

Sold R Fell & Son 150 tons soft lead at £12 5s ton.

Sold Mr East 100 tons soft lead at £12 5s ton.

Sold Champion Druce Harris & Co 500 tons selected refined lead at £12 17s 6d ton.

8th November 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 3094 oz of fine silver at 3/11 5/16 an oz, they paid the company £609 18s 9d.

Sold Mr East 100 tons soft lead at £12 12s 6d ton.

Sold James & Co 100 tons soft lead at £12 17s 6d ton.

A letter was read from Messrs Watson's of 7th inst. enclosing a draft clause proposed by Mr Scarth to be inserted in the New Ashgill Head lease with regard to empowering Lessor or his nominees to mine for Barytes in the Company's disused levels.

22nd November 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1877.5 oz of fine silver at 3/11 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £308 13s 1d.

29th November 1887 LLC 35

Sold Mr East 100 tons soft lead at £12 17s 6d ton.

Sold London White Lead Co 50 tons selected refined lead at £13 17s 6d ton and 2 tons soft lead at £13 7s 6d ton.

Sold Baxendale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £13 6s 6d ton.

6th December 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2485 oz of fine silver at 3/115/16 an oz, they paid the company £489 15s 8d.

The Bollyhope Royalty account for year ending 30th June 1884 shows that the balance due for that year is £128 12s 10d.

13th December 1887 LLC 35

The Balance of Royalties for Bollyhope were paid.

1884	£128	12s	10d
1885	£166	18s	5d
1886	£125	3s	2d

20th December 1887 LLC 35

Sold Mr East 100 tons soft lead at £14 15s ton.

A cheque for £50 be drawn and sent to Mr Bainbridge as a Christmas present.

27th December 1887 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2959 oz of fine silver at 3/113/4 an oz, they paid the company £588 14s 4d.

Sold James & Shakespeare 300 tons soft lead at £15 10s ton, and 300 tons soft lead at £15 15s ton on the Thames.

Sold Mr East 100 tons soft lead at £15 10s ton at Newcastle.

3rd January 1888 LLC 35

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants was read.

Frederick Halsey Janson, Esq., Governor

Assistants

Lieut. Col. Thomas Harvey Bramston
Edward Horne, Esq
John Schofield, Esq.

William John Foskett, Esq.
Henry Tuke Mennell, Esq
Robert Skeet, Esq

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £375

£2,500 will be required on the 7th inst. for payment of Royalties to the lessor of the Teesdale mines.

10th January 1888 LLC 35

The Court recommended that a dividend of 10s per share be paid for the period ending 29th October last, without any deduction for income tax.

17th January 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1646.5 oz of fine silver at 4/0 an oz, they paid the company £329 6s 0d. Paid the Ecclesiastical Commission £165 11s 9d for fixed Royalty rent for year ending 30th June 1887.

Cost statements for months ending 29th October and 26th November show the cost of lead was £10 7s 2d and £10 15s 2d per ton respectively when delivered to the Wharf.

24th January 1888 LLC 35

Sold London White Lead Co 50 tons selected refined lead at £15 7s 6d ton.

Read a letter from Mr Bainbridge of the 18th inst., with reference to the surrender of Stanhope Mill and stating that no claim has been made by the Ecclesiastical Commission for dilapidation's.

31st January 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2237 oz of fine silver at 3/117/8 an oz, they paid the company £446 4s 8d.

Sold James & Co 50 tons soft lead at £14 15s ton.

7th February 1888 LLC 35

£3,050 will be required for wages &c.

14th February 1888 LLC 35

Sold London White Lead Co half a ton of slag lead at £15 ton.

21st February 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2221 oz of fine silver at 3/117/16 an oz, they paid the company £438 19s 10d.

6th March 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1960.5 oz of fine silver at 3/113/16 an oz, they paid the company £385 9s 2d.

Sold Mr East 100 tons soft lead at £15 ton.

13th March 1888 LLC 35

Sold London White Lead Co 50 tons selected refined lead at £15 15s ton.

20th March 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1866.5 oz of fine silver at 3/101/2 an oz, they paid the company £361 12s 9d.

4th April 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2043 oz of fine silver at 3/101/4 an oz, they paid the company £393 14s 0d.

Sold Champion & Co 600 tons selected refined lead at £15 ton on the Thames.

10th April 1888 LLC 35

Sold James & Co 50 tons soft lead at £14 10s ton.

24th April 1888 LLC 35

A new boiler for Eggstone mill was authorised 22ft by 6ft 6in off Messrs. Gallway & Co. at a cost of £233 without mounting.

1st May 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 3220 oz of fine silver at 3/915/16 an oz, they paid the company £616 6s 7d.

Sold James & Co 50 tons soft lead at £14 ton.

The Governor was requested to write to the Superintendent with reference to the approaching Bargains cautioning him specially to examine them with a view to a reduction in the cost of ore raising to the very lowest prices possible.

Mr. Bainbridge informed the Court that the Company's workmen are admitted members of the Workmen's Fund at 18yrs of age and that the youngest member has attained 19.

Dr. Neligan agreed to accept the tenancy of Masterman house Middleton for a term of 5 years at a rent of £25 he putting the house and keeping the same in repair.

8th May 1888 LLC 35

The shaft at Ashgillhead is expected to be completed to bottom of limestone to vein by next bargains and that the shaft and crosscut to vein will be completed by the latter part of June.

22nd May 1888 LLC 35

An offer for a portion of the Stanhope Mill railway, 180 yards at 5/- per yard for double line of rails, chairs and sleepers from Mr. Lindsay Wood. The offer was accepted and Mr. Bainbridge was requested to remove the remaining rails and plant to Bollyhope.

29th May 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 3296 oz of fine silver at 3/93/16 an oz, they paid the company £620 11s 6d.

5th June 1888 LLC 35

The seal of the Company was affixed to a lease of Masterman House to Dr. Neligan.

12th June 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2844 oz of fine silver at 3/915/16 an oz, they paid the company £536 19s 1d.

Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons soft lead at £12 15s ton.

10th July 1888 LLC 35

Sold Mr East 100 tons soft lead at £13 ton.

Mr Scarth agreed to the proposed extension of ground at Ettersgill Beck.

17th July 1888 LLC 35

Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £13 7s 6d ton.

Sold R Fell & Sons 50 tons soft lead at £13 7s 6d ton.

A new trial at Hudeshopehead was authorised to start at the next Bargains, which will be on 3rd August.

31st July 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2817.5 oz of fine silver at 3/95/16 an oz, they paid the company £531 19s 0d.

Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons soft lead at £13 7s 6d ton.

21st August 1888 LLC 35

Sold Baxendale & Co 120 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton, and 120 tons soft lead at £13 7s 6d ton.

28th August 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 3262.5 oz of fine silver at 3/93/8 an oz, they paid the company £616 16s 4d.

Sold Baxendale & Co 120 tons soft lead at £13 12s 6d ton.

4th September 1888 LLC 35

Sold James Co 50 tons £13 10s ton.

11th September 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2485.5 oz of fine silver at 3/97/16 an oz, they paid the company £470 11s 2d.

Sold London White Lead Co 50 tons selected refined lead at £14 15s ton.

The Court heard that Mr. R W Bainbridge had died on the 7th September.
Resolved that a letter of condolence be written to Mr C E Bainbridge on the death of his father.

25th September 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2030 oz of fine silver at 3/115/8 an oz, they paid the company £402 14s 7d.

Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons soft lead at £14 12s 6d ton.

The salary of Mr. Joshua Friend in the Middleton office was raised from £80 to £100 per year.

2nd October 1888 LLC 35

Sold London White Lead Co 100 tons selected refined lead at £15 10s ton.

Mr Scarth had agreed to the Instroke and Outstroke rent being fixed at 2d per ton.

9th October 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2312 oz of fine silver at 3/103/4 an oz, they paid the company £450 7s 2d.

23rd October 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2408 oz of fine silver at 3/101/4 an oz, they paid the company £463 19s 0d.

Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons of soft lead at £14 10s ton.

6th November 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2076 oz of fine silver at 3/103/8 an oz, they paid the company £401 2s 10d.

Sold Abbey Patent Hard Shot Co 20 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton.

Sold R Fell Sons 200 tons soft lead at £13 15s ton.

13th November 1888 LLC 35

Sold Mr East 100 tons soft lead at £13 15s ton.

20th November 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1703 oz of fine silver at 3/103/8 an oz, they paid the company £329 1s 4d.

27th November 1888 LLC 35

Sold Fawcett & Waugh 25 tons slag lead at £13 5s ton.

Sold Mr East 50 tons soft lead at £13 10s ton.

Sold Champion & Co 500 tons selected refined lead at £14 ton.

4th December 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2192 oz of fine silver at 3/103/8 an oz, they paid the company £423 11s 2d.

Sold Walker Parker & Co 150 tons soft lead at £13 10s ton, and 50 tons selected refined lead at £13 17s 6d ton.

Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons soft lead at £13 15s ton.

18th December 1888 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2345.5 oz of fine silver at 3/1911/16 an oz, they paid the company £446 10s 0d.

Gratuities of £150 paid to C E Bainbridge and £25 paid to T D Bolton by order of the Court.

1st January 1889 LLC 35

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants was read.

Mr Frederick Halsey Janson, Governor
Mr William John Foskett, Deputy Governor

Assistants

Lieut. Col. Thomas Harvey Bramston	Leonard Shuter,
Edward Horne, Esq	Henry Tuke Mennell, Esq
John Schofield, Esq.	Robert Skeet, Esq

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £375

Sold Johnson Mathey 2013 oz of fine silver at 3/915/16 an oz, they paid the company £385 6s 0d.

Sold Henry Bath & Son 35 tons selected refined lead at £14 ton.

8th January 1889 LLC 35

Read a letter from Mr Bainbridge stating that £4150 will be required on the 16th inst for wages &c.

Cost statements for the month ending 27th October last show the cost of lead was £9 4s 7d per ton delivered at the Wharf.

The Court recommended that a dividend of 13s per share for the period ending 27th October last be declared and paid to the Proprietors without any deduction for income tax.

22nd January 1889 LLC 35

The cost of lead for month ending 24th November last was £11 13s 5d per ton when delivered to the wharf.

29th January 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2008.5 oz of fine silver at 3/1911/16 an oz, they paid the company £382 6s 11d.

The Superintendent was requested to be very careful in letting the ensuing Bargains with a view to keep down cost.

12th February 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1731 oz of fine silver at 3/913/16 an oz, they paid the company £330 8s 5d.

26th February 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1789.5 oz of fine silver at 3/101/16 an oz, they paid the company £343 9s 1d.

5th March 1889 LLC 35

Sold R Fell & Son 250 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Skipton.

Sold John Fowler & Co 75 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Leeds.

12th March 1889 LLC 35

Sold S & W Royse & Co 20 tons soft lead at £13 ton at Romalldkirk.

26th March 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1540 oz of fine silver at 3/97/8 an oz, they paid the company £294 7s 3d.

Sold Baxendale & Co 220 tons soft lead at £13 2s 6d ton, and 150 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton.

9th April 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1536 oz of fine silver at 3/19 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £291 4s 0d.

16th April 1889 LLC 35

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £13 2s 6d ton.

Sold S & W Royse & Co 20 tons soft lead at £12 12s 6d ton at Romaldkirk.

23rd April 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1686 oz of fine silver at 3/9 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £319 12s 9d.

Sold R Fell & Son 10 tons slag lead at £12 17s 6d ton.

30th April 1889 LLC 35

Sold R Fell & Son 60 tons slag lead at £12 17s 6d ton.

Sold Henry Grace 200 tons selected refined lead at £13 10s ton.

14th May 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1622.5 oz of fine silver at 3/9 7/16 an oz, they paid the company £307 3s 6d. Sold R Fell & Son 10 tons soft lead at £12 13s 9d ton at Romaldkirk.

28th May 1889 LLC 35

Sold Royse & Co 20 tons soft lead at £12 13s 9d at Romaldkirk.

4th June 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2382.5 oz of fine silver at 3/9 3/8 an oz, they paid the company £450 8s 10d.

Sold Baxendale & Co 120 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Salford.

The cost of lead was £12 10s 8.74d per ton when delivered at the wharf for months ending 13th April.

18th June 1889 LLC 35

A statement showing that the miners average weekly earnings were 16/1 for the quarter ending 11th May last.

The Superintendent was authorised to carry out the necessary repairs to the upper part of the flue at Egglestone Mill in such portions and at such times as he finds least likely to interrupt the working of the mill.

The Superintendent and Mill Manager reporting that the work so far from entailing any cost to the Company will certainly yield a profit.

A new lease to be obtained from Mr. Hutchinson of the tract previously held from him extending south from Blackton Beck under the Royalties prescribed by the new lease granted by the Duke of Cleveland, but varied by carrying down the scale of Royalties so as to adapt it to the minimum price of £10 per ton.

25th June 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1912.5 oz of fine silver at 3/9 3/8 an oz, they paid the company £361 11s 7d.

Sold R Fell & Son 300 tons soft lead at £13 ton.

5th July 1889. London Gazette

Lead Office, July 2, 1889.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a General Court of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal, will be field at the Company's Office, 9, Martin's lane, Cannon street, London, on Tuesday, the 23rd July instant, at one

o'clock in the afternoon precisely, being a Half-yearly General Court, to receive the account's for the half year, and to consider of declaring a Dividend.

*And notice is hereby further given, that an Extraordinary General Court will be held immediately after the close of the business of the General Court, for the purpose of electing an Assistant of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal, for the remainder of the present year, in the room of Robert Skeet, Esquire, deceased. The Transfer Book will be shut on Thursday, the 18th instant, and opened again on Wednesday, the 24th instant. By order of the Court of Assistants.
John Elliott, Secretary.*

9th July 1889 LLC 35

The Deputy Governor was requested to write to the Superintendent with reference to the increased cost of lead as shown by the half year cost statement of ore raised during that period, and further in regard to the increase of Bouse stock consequent upon the comparatively small quantity dressed.

16th July 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1728.5 oz of fine silver at 3/9 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £327 13s 10d.

23rd July 1889 LLC 35

The cost of lead was £12 15s 10.53d per ton when delivered at the wharf.

30th July 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1150 oz of fine silver at 3/9 9/16 an oz, they paid the company £284 19s 1d.

20th August 1889 LLC 35

Cost statements for months ending 8th June and 6th July arrived today which show the cost of lead was £13 12s 1.60d and £13 3s 10.77d per ton respectively when delivered at the wharf.

10th September 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1638 oz of fine silver at 3/9 11/16 an oz, they paid the company £311 16s 4d.

Sold John Fowler & Co 50 tons soft lead at £13 10s ton at Leeds.

The miners average earnings for the quarter ending August last was 14/5 per week.

17th September 1889 LLC 35

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £13 7s 6d ton.

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 50 tons slag lead at £12 12s 6d ton at Blaydon.

24th September 1889 LLC 35

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 100 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton.

8th October 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1721 oz of fine silver at 3/9 15/16 an oz, they paid the company £329 8s 2d.

15th October 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1439 oz of fine silver at 3/10 1/16 an oz, they paid the company £276 3s 7d.

Sold Henry Grace & Co 50 tons selected refined lead at £13 10s ton.

The cost of lead was £14 17s 4.71d per ton delivered to the wharf.

22nd October 1889 LLC 35

Sold R Fell & Son 150 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton.

29th October 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1939 oz of fine silver at 3/10 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £375 13s 7d.

5th November 1889 LLC 35

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £13 7s 6d ton.

12th November 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2292 oz of fine silver at 3/11 3/8 an oz, they paid the company £452 8s 7d.

Sold J G East 50 tons soft lead at £13 10s ton at Newcastle.

Sold Fawcett & Waugh 50 tons soft lead at £13 10s ton at Newcastle.

The Court authorised the purchase of 100 tons of Australian silver lead to be treated at the mill by way of experiment.

The deputation to the North reported that the stocks of Bouse resting at the Weardale dressing Floors had been considerably over estimated.

Resolved that this Board had learned with the most profound regret of the serious and deliberate misrepresentations made by the Company's Superintendent as to the quantity of Bouse at the Dressing floors in the Weardale district, misrepresentations that appear to have been made for some time past.

The discovery has given a great shock to the confidence, which the directors have heretofore felt in the rectitude as well as the ability of their representative in the North. These misrepresentations have placed them in a most unpleasant position with their proprietors to whom the matter must be fully explained and who will unquestionably feel that they have been greatly and unfairly misled.

26th November 1889 LLC 35

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £15 ton at Skipton.

100 tons of Australian Silver Lead was purchased at £14 12s 6d ton, the silver content being estimated at about 300 ounces ton.

3rd December 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2122 oz of fine silver at 3/11 7/8 an oz, they paid the company £423 5s 11d.

Sold Carrick & Brockbank 20 tons soft lead at £15 15s ton at Manchester.

The average earnings of the miners for the quarter ending 26th October last was 16/9 per week.

17th December 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 1536 oz of fine silver at 3/11 7/16 an oz, they paid the company £303 12s 0d.

Reported the purchase on the 14th inst. of about 58 1/2 tons of Spanish silver lead at £14 1s 3d per ton for lead.

24th December 1889 LLC 35

Sold J Fowler & Co 50 tons soft lead at £15 5s ton at Leeds.

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £15 5s ton.

Sold Jennings & Co 90 tons selected refined lead at £15 15s ton.

A gratuity of £25 be presented to Mr T D Bolton.

Bought 900 Pigs of Spanish silver lead (about 54 1/2 tons) at £14 3s per ton.

31st December 1889 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 3305 oz of fine silver at 3/115/16 an oz, they paid the company £651 10s 7d.

£1514 6s will be required on the 4th January for payment to the Duke of Cleveland for Royalties and Bought ore.

7th January 1890 LLC 35

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants was read.

Mr Frederick Halsey Janson, Governor
Mr William John Foskett, Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Edward Exton Barclay
Mr Henry Tuke Mennell

Lieut. Col. Thomas Harvey Bramston
Mr John Schofield

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £375

Sold Johnson Mathey 3957 oz of fine silver at 3/117/16 an oz, they paid the company £782 2s 6d.

Purchased 1,400 pigs of Spanish silver lead (about 86 tons) at £14 3s 9d per ton. £3,400 will be required on the 15th inst. for wages.

14th January 1890 LLC 35

Mr Leonard Shuter & Mr Charles Molyneux Grenfell as assistants signed the declaration appointed by the Charter & Bye Laws

Sold Johnson Mathey 4678.5 oz of fine silver at 3/119/16 an oz, they paid the company £927 3s 5d.

21st January 1890 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 4206 oz of fine silver at 4/01/4 an oz, they paid the company £845 11s 7d.

The Cost statements for month ending 23rd November show the cost of lead was £15 18s 10d per ton when delivered to the wharf.

28th January 1890 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 2858 oz of fine silver at 3/117/8 an oz, they paid the company £570 2s 3d.

Sold Baxendale & Co 25 tons soft lead at £14 5s ton at Manchester.

4th February 1890 LLC 35

Sold Johnson Mathey 4593 ounces of silver at 4/01/4 per ounce amounting to £920 19s 10d.

Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons soft lead at £14 ton at Skipton.

11th February 1890 LLC 35

Sold to Johnson Mathey & Co 3456 ounces of silver at 3/117/8 per ounce amounting to £689 8s 0d.

Sold R Fell & Sons 50 tons soft lead at £14 ton.

18th February 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 3562 oz of fine silver at 3/111/8 an oz, they paid the company £699 8s 3d.

Mr Bolton (manager at Eggleston Mill) stated that 30090 ounces of silver were obtained from the first lot of Australian Silver Lead (300.9 ounces per ton)

100 tons of silver lead at £13 10s per ton was purchased.

A letter from Middleton School Board asked for an offer of the Company school and field as they desired to purchase them. This request was turned down.

18th March 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1786 oz of fine silver at 3/115/16 an oz, they paid the company £352 1s 8d.

A deputation of washer boys from the Coldbury mine had seen the Superintendent and stated that they are not satisfied with an offer to increase their wages 4d per day to the older boys and 3d per day to the younger boys. The Superintendent suggested that it may be advisable to give them an extra 1d per day so as to prevent any further agitation.

The Superintendent was given permission to use his discretion as to increasing the wages of the boys who are employed by the Company.

25th March 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 7248.5 oz of fine silver at 3/113/16 an oz, they paid the company £1425 3s 3d.

1st April 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 5208 oz of fine silver at 3/113/16 an oz, they paid the company £1023 19s 4d.

100 tons of Australian silver lead was purchased at £13 12s 6d per ton.

15th April 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 7887 oz of fine silver at 3/117/16 an oz, they paid the company £1558 18s 3d.

22nd April 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 7178 oz of fine silver at 4/01/2 an oz, they paid the company £1450 11s 1d.

Sold R Fell & Sons 200 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Skipton.

29th April 1890 LLC 36

Sold Messrs Henry Grace & Co at £13 15s per ton 50 tons of the Company's Selected Refined lead delivered Ex ship on the Thames.

Sold Johnson Mathey 7649 oz of fine silver at 4/211/16 an oz, they paid the company £1615 9s 1d.

The number of men at Hudeshope level be reduced by 4 men also that 4 men be sent to drive the opening drift East in Main Vein at Wiregill to open out the ore ground.

£2,200 will be required on the 7th May for wages &c.

A strong lead has been cut to the West of Johnson's shaft at Lady's Rake mine.

6th May 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 8957 oz of fine silver at 4/21/4 an oz, they paid the company £1875 7s 5d.

13th May 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 5518 ounces of silver at 4/15/8 per ounce amounting to £1140 19s 3d.

Also reported purchase on the 6th inst. of 200 tons of Australia silver lead at £14 7s per ton for lead the silver content being estimated at 224 ounces per ton of lead.

The Company tender for 54 tons of Hurst Mine ore at £8 ton was accepted.

20th May 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 4130 oz of fine silver at 4/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £879 15s 6d.

Sold W & R Johnson & Sons 100 tons selected refined lead at £14 2s 6d ton.

3rd June 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 3100 oz of fine silver at 4/211/16 an oz, they paid the company £654 14s 3d.

10th June 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 2135 oz of fine silver at 4/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £460 7s 3d.
Bought 7 tons of Hurst mine ore at £8 2s 6d per ton and one and a half tons at £7 18s 6d per ton.

17th June 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 9457 oz of fine silver at 4/31/2 an oz, they paid the company £2029 6s 3d.

Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £13 15s ton at Salford.

Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons soft lead at £13 12s 6d ton at Skipton.

Sold Champion & Co 200 tons selected refined lead at £14 5s ton at the Thames.

24th June 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 6820 oz of fine silver at 4/43/16 an oz, they paid the company £1482 19s 10d.

Sold Johnson Mathey 5108 oz of fine silver at 4/31/4 an oz, they paid the company £1090 15s 5d.

1st July 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 6323 oz of fine silver at 4/33/8 an oz, they paid the company £1353 10s 4d.

8th July 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 8715 oz of fine silver at 4/35/16 an oz, they paid the company £1863 5s 8d.

Sold Messrs French & Smith 3 tons selected refined lead at £14 15s ton delivered Ex ship on the Thames.

Sold London White Lead Co half a ton of slag lead at £14 ton.

The Superintendent reported the discovery of a North and South vein with good ore in the West Level from Janson's Shaft at Lady's Rake mine.

15th July 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 3583 oz of fine silver at 4/33/4 an oz, they paid the company £773 0s 3d.

22nd July 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 2395 oz of fine silver at 4/515/16 an oz, they paid the company £538 5s 0d.

The cost of lead at the wharf for month ending 7th June was £14 8s 10d ton.
£2525 will be required on the 30th inst for wages &c.

29th July 1890 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Sons 200 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton.

5th August 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 2068 oz of fine silver at 4/61/16 an oz, they paid the company £465 16s 9d.

19th August 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1357 oz of fine silver at 4/71/2 an oz, they paid the company £313 16s 1d.

The Superintendent attended the Court with reference to reductions in expenditure and economies in the working of the concern, which the serious loss incurred during the past 12 months had rendered imperative.

Resolved that it had become absolutely necessary to bring about a reduction of expenditure to the extent of at least £8,000 per annum.

The Superintendent was instructed to consider the best mode in which this can be effected and to furnish a report to the Court if possible within 3 weeks.

26th August 1890 LLC 36

Middleton School Board gave notice that they will quit and give up possession of the Company's school in August next.

2nd September 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 2072 oz of fine silver at 4/915/16 an oz, they paid the company £500 3s 10d.

9th September 1890 LLC 36

Sold Locke Lancaster & Co 115 tons slag lead at £13 ton at Middleton.

Sold Mr East 200 tons soft lead at £13 7s 6d ton, and 100 tons of soft lead at £13 12s 6d ton at Blaydon.

16th September 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1876 oz of fine silver at 4/913/16 an oz, they paid the company £451 18s 0d.

Sold R Fell & Sons 10 tons soft lead at £14 2s 6d ton at Huddersfield.

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 50 tons soft lead at £14 ton at Newcastle.

23rd September 1890 LLC 36

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 100 tons soft lead at £14 ton.

The Superintendent's report upon the means of reducing expenditure by £8,000 was received.

The Court agreed with the general recommendations but the Court considered that a further diminution should be made in the number of wagemen; and that there should be a reduction in the quantity of stocks and stores, which are considered far in excess of the Company's requirements.

30th September 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 2034 oz of fine silver at 4/81/16 an oz, they paid the company £475 2s 7d. Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons soft lead at £14 10s ton at Skipton.

7th October 1890 LLC 36

Sold Mr East 100 tons soft lead at £14 10s ton, and 50 tons soft lead at £14 15s ton at Newcastle.

14th October 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1555 oz of fine silver at 4/515/16 an oz, they paid the company £349 9s 5d.

The cost of lead at the wharf for month ending 30th August was £14 9s 2d ton.

21st October 1890 LLC 36

Sold Baxendale & Co 30 tons soft lead at £15 ton at Salford.

Resolved that the Court are of opinion that it is not desirable to continue the practice of contracting for stores. With the present large stocks on hand the quantities of most articles required in the coming year should be very limited and the Court request that all orders shall be most narrowly watched by the Superintendent and nothing ordered that is not absolutely necessary for the efficient working of the mills, mines and workshops in their present limited basis as regards area and output.

That the Superintendent should as far as practicable make out an estimation of the quantity of the most important stores and materials required to be ordered during each succeeding month and forward same to the London office for examination and approval by the Board.

28th October 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1739 oz of fine silver at 4/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £386 14s 11d.

Sold Baxendale & Co 120 tons soft lead at £15 ton at Salford.

Read a letter from the Superintendent of 27th inst. explaining the cause of the small quantity of ore dressed at Lady Rake mine in August.

Resolved that letters be written to the Superintendent informing him that the explanation given in his letter of 27th inst. are inadequate. And that he be requested to send up an account of stocks of coal and coke at the end of the half year by Friday next.

4th November 1890 LLC 36

Sold Mr East 50 tons soft lead at £14 17s 6d ton at Newcastle.

The deputation report to the Court of Directors was taken into consideration and the following resolutions passed.

1. That the report be approved and adopted.
2. That the Directors learnt with extreme dissatisfaction from their colleagues who formed the last Deputation that the returns of the Mill Manager as to the amount of fuel resting at the Mill upon which the auditors report of June last was founded had been greatly exaggerated. Their dissatisfaction is further increased by the fact that these misstatements were reiterated by the Mill Manager in his monthly returns so lately as 27th September last. Such conduct on the part of the manager evinces an almost entire want of a proper sense of his duty to his employers and ought perhaps to be more heavily visited than by a mere censure, but the Directors are willing to confirm their action on this occasion to an expression of their disapprobation and to the administration of a serious warning of the inevitable consequences of a repetition of the cause of complaint.

11th November 1890 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Son 75 tons soft lead at £14 17s 6d ton at Skipton.

£2450 will be required on the 19th inst., for wages &c.

Read a letter from Mr Bolton the Mill Manager of the 10th inst., to the Governor acknowledging the receipt of the letter & copy of the Courts Resolution of the 14th inst., with regard to his misrepresentation as to the amount of the stocks of fuel at Egglestone Mill.

Resolved That the Governor be desired to write to Mr Bolton requesting him to furnish full particulars of the deficiency showing in what way it arose and the date of its commencement.

The following memorandum was drawn up by the court for embodiment in his letter

The Court have looked upon the wilful misrepresentation of the stocks of fuel resting at the Mill as the most serious question before them and to this the censure contained in their late resolution was addressed.

There remains now the further question as to how and when the deficiency has arisen and they must ask for a full statement from Mr Bolton on these points.

It is of the utmost importance that they should know in detail in what way the Mill Costs have been falsified in regard to the fuel consumed and in what processes this has occurred. The Cost statements for the month ending 27th September show the cost of lead was £14 13s 3d per ton when delivered at the wharf.

18th November 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 3617 oz of fine silver at 4/31/8 an oz, they paid the company £770 9s 11d.

25th November 1890 LLC 36

Read a letter from Mr Bainbridge of 24th inst. with reference to the accrued stocks of Fumes and Oxides, and stating that owing to being short handed during the past half year they were unable to work them up, but a careful estimate has been made which he considers will be fully realised when smelted up.

2nd December 1890 LLC 36

Read letters from the Superintendent with references to the stock of oxides and fume stating that all being greatly mixed together particulars of each could not be given but that the bulk is in oxides.

The ore Smelters at Egglestone mill had asked for an advance upon their present contract rate for smelting ore from 41/4d to 5d per Pig of lead being an increase of 2/6 to 3/- per week, which the Superintendent recommended, be granted.

9th December 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1947 oz of fine silver at 4/37/8 an oz, they paid the company £420 16s 8d.

The Superintendent stated that £2525 will be required on the 17th inst for wages.

The Court felt that in the present state of affairs they could not agree to the alteration of the ore hearth Smelters wages.

16th December 1890 LLC 36

Read a letter from the Superintendent of 12th inst. with reference to the accumulations of Fume and Bye products which had to stand over owing to the press for market lead, and being short handed at the Mill. Also stating that the 700 pieces of lead used to cover the flues were run into sheets out of process stocks and had been treated as part of such stocks.

And further letter of 15th inst. stating that he had communicated to the Ore Hearth Smelters the Courts decision not to make any alteration in the Tonnage Rate for ore smelting, at which the men were much disappointed and asked him to submit the subject for reconsideration, which he now does coupled with the hope that the Directors May yet see their way to give an advance of ½d per Pig.

Resolved that the 700 pieces of lead used for covering the flues be transferred from process stocks to plant account and that the decision arrived at on Tuesday last with reference to the rates for wages be adhered to.

31st December 1890 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1699 oz of fine silver at 4/31/4 an oz, they paid the company £362 16s 1d.

2nd January 1891 LLC 36

Read two letters from Mr Bainbridge of the 30th & 31st ult endorsing a further letter to the Court of 30th Ult., resigning his appointment as Superintendent of the Company's Works. The Superintendent's resignation was accepted, his engagement terminating on the 2nd February.

6th January 1891 LLC 36

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants was read.

Mr Frederick Halsey Janson, Governor
Mr William John Foskett, Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Charles Molyneux Grenfell Mr Edward Horne
Lieut. Col. Thomas Harvey Bramston Mr Henry Tuke Mennell
Mr John Schofield

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £375

Resolved to advertise in the Mining Journal and the Newcastle Weekly Chronicle for the post of Manager of the Company's Mines in Teesdale and Weardale.

27th January 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1854 oz of fine silver at 4/4 an oz, they paid the company £401 14s 0d. The cost of lead delivered to the wharf was £16 7s 7d ton for month ending 22nd November. The deputation to the North recommended that having considered the various applications Mr. John J Millican appeared to be the most eligible candidate.

Resolved to offer the post of mine Manager to Mr. J J Millican the former mine superintendent of the Alston Moor District at a salary of £200 a year with a free house and an allowance of £20 a year for the keep of a horse.

3rd February 1891 LLC 36

The cost of lead delivered to the wharf was £17 7s 1d ton for month ending 20th December.

10th February 1891 LLC 36

Resolved that Messrs Backhouse & Co be informed that the late Superintendent having left the Company's service Mr Joseph Pattinson will sign cheques on behalf of the Lead Company, which they Messrs Backhouse and Co are requested to honour until further notice.

All work at Cadgerwell and Flakebrigg be discontinued.

That the Old ore workings in Ravelin's vein and elsewhere in Coldbury Old workings which cost more than 30/- to 40/- per Bing be suspended until the question of placing them on a tribute system can be carefully considered. And that all other operations there be let on 3 months bargains determinable at the option of the Company at the end of the 1st or 2nd month.

17th February 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1092 oz of fine silver at 4/21/8 an oz, they paid the company £228 1s 4d. The Court having had under consideration the salaries now being paid in the various departments with a view of reducing the establishment charges have resolved that from the end of the present quarter until further notice salaries now being paid shall be reduced.

The Secretary	From	£375	to	£300
Mr. W Lee	From	£200	to	£160
Mr. J Hunt	From	£170	to	£130
Mr. R Lee	From	£110	to	£100
Mr. T Beadle	From	£110	to	£80
Mr. M Pinkney	To be reduced in about the same ratio			
Mr. J French	To be reduced in about the same ratio			
Mr. T Stodart	From 30/- per week to 26/- per week			
Mr. F M Pinkney	5/- per week the recent advance.			

24th February 1891 LLC 36

Resolved that Mr Pattinson have full authority to carry out economies at yards, workshops, and as regards rates of carriage; and that Mr Millican be requested to give his earliest attention to corresponding savings at the mines and dressing floors and particularly those at Coldberry which last appear to the Court to be much over manned.

The Cost Statements for month ending 17th January show the cost of Lead was £21 7s 4d per ton when delivered at the Wharf.

17th March 1891 LLC 36

Sold Fawcett & Waugh 50 tons soft lead at £13 ton at Redheugh station.

Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Skipton.

24th March 1891 LLC 36

The cost of lead delivered to the wharf was £18 10s ton for month ending 14th February.

31st March 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1736 oz of fine silver at 4/01/4 an oz, they paid the company £349 0 2d.

7th April 1891 LLC 36

Sold J G East 35 tons Hard lead at £13 ton at Redheugh station.

Sold Henry Grace & Co 65 tons selected refined lead at £13 15s ton on the Thames.

14th April 1891 LLC 36

Received notice from Mr William Walton & Mr C Natrass who will vacate their farms at Bollyhope at Mayday 1892.

24th April 1891 LLC 36

The cost of lead delivered to the wharf was £16 8s 9d ton for month ending 14th March.

28th April 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1736 oz of fine silver at 3/119/16 an oz, they paid the company £344 0s 9d.

The Lead Company tender of £17 10s ton for 100 tons of silver lead ore from the Laxey Mining Co had been accepted.

12th May 1881 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Sons 150 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Skipton.

19th May 1891 LLC 36

Sold Mr East 10 tons slag lead at £13 ton.

26th May 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1821 oz of fine silver at 4/01/16 an oz, they paid the company £364 13s 6d.

Gave permission for the construction of a water race from Ashgillhead to Lady's Rake mine. William Race is to be appointed Overlooker at Lady's Rake above and below ground, to reside on the spot, his salary to be £60 per annum.

2nd June 1891 LLC 36

Sold Fowler Wearing Cable Co 50 tons selected refined lead at £14 ton on the Thames.

Sold Henry Grace & Co 100 tons selected refined lead at £13 15s ton.

9th June 1891 LLC 36

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 75 tons soft lead at £13 ton at Redheugh.

Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Skipton.

16th June 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1771 oz of fine silver at 4/01/16 an oz, they paid the company £354 13s 3d.

Sold Champion & Co 200 tons selected refined lead at £13 15s ton.

Mr. Wallace gave notice to leave the Company's service on the 4th July next.

Mr. Joshua French proposed to leave the Company's service at the end of the month.

Mr. Pattinson asked if his 19 year old son could take Mr. French's place.

30th June 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 2599 oz of fine silver at 4/15/8 an oz, they paid the company £537 7s 11d.

Sold Champion & Co 100 tons selected refined lead at £13 15s ton on the Thames.

Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Skipton.

Mr. Pattinson's son was appointed clerk in the Middleton office at a salary of £50 per annum.

14th July 1891 LLC 36

The Middleton School Board asked to be allowed to occupy the Company's school for 3 months after 23rd August the date on which the tenancy expires, it was agreed to let them have the school for not less than a year at the present rental.

Read letters from the Company's Solicitors of 8th & 10th inst with a copy of letters received from Mr Ridley appointing Saturday the 18th inst., at Newcastle on Tyne to take the Arbitration case between the Duke of Cleveland & the Lead Company on the subject of the basis upon which Royalty is payable.

21st July 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1596 oz of fine silver at 4/15/8 an oz, they paid the company £330 0s 1d.

28th July 1891 LLC 36

Sold Mr East 50 tons slag lead at £13 ton.

4th August 1891 LLC 36

The Company offer of £17 ton for 100 tons Great Laxey ore was accepted.

11th August 1891 LLC 36

Sold Henry Grace & Co 100 tons selected refined lead at £13 15s ton.

Resolved that Mr Pattinson be informed that the Court are willing to let Middleton House to the Hon Francis Bowes Lyon for two months as now furnished for 150 guineas for the period.

18th August 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1934 oz of fine silver at 4/01/16 an oz, they paid the company £392 6s 8d.

Mr. Bolton reported that the outlay (£17) required for plant to continue the gas lighting at the mill was in excess of that (£9 14s) necessary for lighting the mill with oil lamps. He estimated a saving of £50 by adopting oil lamps. This was approved.

Read a letter from the Company's solicitors of 15th inst., inclosing a copy of Mr Ridley's award on the case submitted to him by the Duke of Cleveland and the Lead Company on the question as to whether within the meaning of the Leases, the average market price meant the quoted price or that price less the usual discount of two and a half per cent.

The Award is as follows.

"Within the meaning of the said five leases the average price meant the quoted price without deduction for discount."

The Hon F Bowes Lyon had found another house more conveniently located than Middleton.

The cost of lead delivered to the wharf was £16 6s 2d ton for month ending 6th June.

Mr Pattinson stated that £1600 will be required on the 26th inst for wages &c.

25th August 1891 LLC 36

The cost of lead delivered to the wharf was £14 16s 11d for month ending 4th July.

1st September 1891 LLC 36

Sold Mr East 5 tons slag lead at £13 ton.

The Middleton School Board having paid their rent up to termination of their tenancy had removed their furniture from the Company's school building.

8th September 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1614.5 oz of fine silver at 4/05/8 an oz, they paid the company £327 2s 1d.

15th September 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 2008.5 oz of fine silver at 4/011/16 an oz, they paid the company £407 9s 1d.

The cost of lead delivered to the wharf was £15 13s 3d for month ending 1st August.

Mr Pattinson stated that £1600 will be required on the 23rd inst for wages &c.

22nd September 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1470 oz of fine silver at 4/03/8 an oz, they paid the company £296 5s 11d.

Read a letter from Mr Bolton of 19th inst. giving particulars of the valuation of the Stanhope Mill Gas Plant, which he states is now out of date and much corroded by gasses and asks for the Courts instructions to their disposal.

Resolved that Mr Bolton be instructed to advertise the materials as Gas Plant and to communicate to the Court any offers received.

29th September 1891 LLC 36

Read a list of the Lead Company's properties at Middleton showing the poor rate evaluation, the rateable value and the present rental.

6th October 1891 LLC 36

Mr. Millican reported the discovery of good ore in the sump in the New cross vein at Lady's Rake mine.

13th October 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1576 oz of fine silver at 4/05/16 an oz, they paid the company £317 5s 0d.

The cost of lead delivered at the wharf was £14 3s 2d for month ending 29th August.

20th October 1891 LLC 36

Read a letter from the Company's solicitors of the 6th inst., enclosing copy of a letter and statement of claim which they had received from Messrs Watson for £371 4s 6d for balance of Royalty due to the Duke of Cleveland for the years 1888, 1889 & 1890 under the award of Mr Ridley on the 10th August last in the dispute submitted to him for arbitration by the Lead Company and the Duke of Cleveland.

Resolved that the claim for £371 4s 6d be paid.

27th October 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1857 oz of fine silver at 4/0 an oz, they paid the company £371 8s 0d.

Sold Henry Grace & Co 200 tons selected refined lead at £13 5s ton.

10th November 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1539 oz of fine silver at 3/115/16 an oz, they paid the company £303 7s 10d.

Received a letter from Mr Pattinson of the 9th inst stating that he had had two more applications for the use of the Company's School, and asking the Courts instructions.

Resolved That all applications for the use of the school be left to the Manager & Mr Pattinson to decide upon and settle terms, but on condition that all damage is repaired and no nuisance created.

17th November 1891 LLC 36

The offers for Stanhope gas plant being inadequate the Company decided to retain it.

24th November 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1620 oz of fine silver at 3/11 an oz, they paid the company £317 5s 0d.

15th December 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 4092 oz of fine silver at 3/111/16 an oz, they paid the company £802 8s 4d.

22nd December 1891 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 14503 oz of fine silver at 3/117/16 an oz, they paid the company £2866 12s 2d.

5th January 1892 LLC 36

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants was read.

Mr Frederick Halsey Janson, Governor
Mr William John Foskett, Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Edward Horne
Mr Henry Tuke Mennell
Mr Leonard Shuter

Lieut. Col. Thomas Harvey Bramston
Mr John Schofield

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 per annum.

Mr Charles Molyneux Grenfell had also been elected Assistant but was not present on this day

Sold Johnson Mathey 3969 oz of fine silver at 3/113/16 an oz, they paid the company £780 7s 3d.

19th January 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1785 oz of fine silver at 3/101/8 an oz, they paid the company £343 1s 1d.

26th January 1892 LLC 36

Reported the purchase of 159 tons of rich Australian silver lead during the week for the estimated value of £19,000. The Governor and Deputy Governor were requested to obtain an interview with the Bankers in order to arrange with them a credit for sufficient amount to enable the Company to pay for the silver lead as and when purchases are effected.

2nd February 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 10543 oz of fine silver at 3/91/16 an oz, they paid the company £1979 11s 2d.

The Bankers agreed to open a credit of £25,000 against which the Company may draw for purchases of silver lead.

9th February 1892 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Sons 200 tons soft lead at £11 7s 6d ton at Skipton.

16th February 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 16711 oz of fine silver at 3/87/8 an oz, they paid the company £3124 12s 2d.

Sold James & Shakespeare 100 tons soft lead (part of the Australian lead bought) at £10 7s 6d ton.

Sold James & Shakespeare 100 tons soft lead at £10 10s ton.

The cost of lead delivered to the wharf was £16 7s 7d for month ending 25th December.

The Managers report upon the mines and ore dressing for the past week were received and read and his recommendations to provide extra Slime pits at Lady's Rake mine and remove thereto the Jemmer Buddle from Redgroves mine were approved.

23rd February 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 18808.5 oz of fine silver at 3/87/8 an oz, they paid the company £3516 15s 11d.

Sold Henry Grace & Co 135 tons selected refined lead at £12 5s ton.

The Managers reports upon the mines and ore dressing for the past week, also his special report upon the Coldberry mine and the washings in Weardale were received and read and his recommendations agreed to.

1st March 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 9480.5 oz of fine silver at 3/87/8 an oz, and 1040.5 oz of fine silver at 3/815/16 an oz, they paid the company £3718 3s 5d.

The Managers ... Special report on the results of dressing the waste heaps at Coldberry which cost the Company 18/1 per Bing of ore, but stating that the cost can be reduced to 15/5 per Bing by attaching a Drum for drawing the work which would cost about £50 to erect, also stating that Mr Thompson the foreman there has tendered for dressing of those waste heaps at 15/- per Bing of ore.

The Court agreed to accept Mr Thompson's tender for dressing ore in waste heaps at 15/- per Bing provided that the Drum is not stipulated for.

8th March 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 14089 oz of Silver they paid the company £2638 0s 5d.

Sold the Indian Government 490 tons soft lead at £10 15s ton.

Read letters from Mr Millican of 3rd and 7th inst. with reference to Mr Thompson's tender of 15/- per Bing for dressing ore from waste heaps at Coldberry and stating that this rate of 15/- was conditional upon the Company erecting a Drum for drawing the work, but that he now offers to do the dressing at 17/6 per Bing without the Drum.

Mr Millican instructed to make the best Bargain possible with Mr Thompson for dressing wastes at Coldberry at not exceeding 17/6 per Bing of Ore and for a period of not exceeding 6 months for trial.

Mr Pattinson stated that £1500 will be required on the 16th inst., for wages &c.

15th March 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 8046 oz of fine silver at 3/815/16 an oz, they paid the company £1506 10s 7d.

The cost of lead at the wharf was £18 6s 7d for month ending 25th January.

22nd March 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 4865 oz of fine silver at 3/8 15/16 an oz, they paid the company £910 18 5d.

29th March 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 14555 oz of fine silver at 3/8 3/4 an oz, they paid the company £2713 15s 3d.

5th April 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 16980 oz of fine silver at 3/8 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £3148 7s 6d. The cost of lead delivered to the wharf was £19 14s 4d for month ending 20th February.

12th April 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 7347 oz of fine silver at 3/8 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £1362 5s 4d.

Sold R Fell & Sons 200 tons soft lead at £11 7s 6d ton at Skipton.

19th April 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 6315 oz of fine silver at 3/8 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £1148 2s 6d.

26th April 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 7692 oz of fine silver at 3/8 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £1426 4s 4d.

Sold R Fell & Sons 4 tons soft lead at £11 7s 6d ton at Barnsley.

The Deputy Governor having visited the Egglestone Mill during the past week, reported that Mr Bolton desires to leave the Company's service 3 months after the present quarter, but suggests that his salary be paid up to the end of the Company's financial year.

3rd May 1892 LLC 36

The cost of ore raised was £9 19s 9d ton for month ending the 19th March, no ore smelting was done during this month.

10th May 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 9796.5 oz of fine silver at 3/4 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £1770 14s 4d. (the silver contained 4 grains of gold per ounce)

17th May 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 4117 oz of fine silver at 3/4 an oz, they paid the company £738 13s 1d. *(the silver contain 4 grains of gold per ounce)*

24th May 1892 LLC 36

Sold Walker Scott & Co 1 ton soft lead at £11 10s ton.

7th June 1892 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Son 150 tons soft lead at £11 7s 6d ton.

The cost of lead when delivered to the wharf was £16 19s 7d per ton.

A letter was written to Mr. Millican representing to him the great loss at which the work is being carried on and requesting him to give suggestions for the reduction of the cost of production.

28th June 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1422 oz of fine silver at 3/8 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £261 8s 3d. (the silver contain 6 grains of gold per ounce)

Mr Millican further report upon the general establishment in the North was received and read and his recommendation with regard to inviting tenders for drawing was adopted.

12th July 1892 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Sons 200 tons soft lead at £11 5s ton at Skipton.

After considering the heavy losses over the last half year Mr. Millican was given instructions to further reduce the establishment generally at Middleton as so to alter the system of working the mines that each partnership shall work 8 hours at the face and that the miners are worked at full strength of men from Monday to Saturday afternoon continuously.

19th July 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 1412.5 oz of fine silver at 3/7 1/16 an oz, they paid the company £253 8s 0d. (*the silver contain 4 grains of gold per ounce*)

Read a letter from Messrs Smith Gore of 12th inst, applying for £195 being the amount of Dead Rent less income tax on the Bollyhope Mines payable to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for the year ending 31st October 1891.

The cost of lead at the wharf was £14 8s 6d ton for month ending 14th May.

The estimated increase in ore raising for the next 3 months will be 586 Bings due to the rearranging of the partnerships and working full time without an increase in pickmen.

26th July 1892 LLC 36

Read two letters from Mr Millican of 21st inst. with reference to changes in the staff that are being carried out, and further letter of 23rd inst. stating that the Firestone has been cut in the rise from the Hudeshope Head trial level, where a quantity of water had been trapped.

Mr Pattinson stated that £1870 will be required on the 3rd August for wages &c.

2nd August 1892 LLC 36

The cost of lead at the wharf was £12 13s 4d ton for month ending 11th June. Mr. Millican's salary was raised by £40 per annum in consideration of the extra duties imposed upon him in making the changes in the system of working, including the duties of surveyor.

The Court also decided to discontinue the pension to Mrs Dalton at the end of the current half year.

16th August 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 3083 oz of fine silver at 3/5 11/16 an oz, they paid the company £535 10s 1d.

23rd August 1892 LLC 36

The cost of lead at the wharf was £12 18s 10d ton for month ending 9th July.

30th August 1892 LLC 36

Read letter from Mr Millican of 29th inst. enclosing a timetable of miners working hours in the past.

A special letter of instructions be written to the mines manager with reference to the mode of working the mines, and with regard the miners hours of working.

20th September 1892 LLC 36

The cost of lead at the wharf was £13 2s 10d ton for month ending 5th August.

27th September 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 3233 oz of fine silver at 3/5 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £553 19s 9d.

11th October 1892 LLC 36

Read letter from Mr Millican of 10th inst. with a statement enclosed of his proposed arrangements of Pickmen at the next Bargains, which shows an increase of 18 men in Ore work and 2 in Dead work. He also enquires if the Court has approved his amended timetable of the Pickmen's hours of working.

18th October 1892 LLC 36

The cost of lead at the wharf was £11 13s 3d ton for month ending 3rd September.

Mr Pattinson stated that £1650 will be required on the 26th inst for wages &c.

Read a letter from Mr Millican of 17th inst. stating that the men who have left their work at the Bollyhope Burn mine are in debt to the Company about £30. He enclosed in the above letter for the Courts approval a copy of the notice, which he proposes to put up in the mine shops with regard to the Pickmen's hours of working, to be fixed at the next Bargains.

1st November 1892 LLC 36

The mines manager reported that he had received a deputation from the Teesdale District miners. They objected to the conditions on which Bargains are to be let, that is the work being spread out over 5 days of 8 hours each and proposed to work 40 hours at the face per week Monday 9 hours, Tuesday 11 hours, Wednesday 11 hours and Thursday 9 hours. They also expressed a wish for an interview with the Directors. The manager was instructed to adhere to the original instructions.

8th November 1892 LLC 36

The miners unanimously objected to take their Bargains on any other terms than that of working 4 days per week but made the following suggestion. To resume work under the 4 day system with a reference to arbitration of the question of the number of days in which this work is to be performed.

The Court declined to make any concession in the terms of the Bargains.

There was no report upon the mines as all the Pickmen are out and declined to take their Bargains.

Read a letter from Mr Lindsay Wood of 1st inst., stating that the Ecclesiastical Commissioners have authorised the reduction of the Dead Rent on the Weardale mines by one half from October 1891 from £200 to £100 such reduction to continue in force until the Commissioners give notice to the Contrary.

15th November 1892 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Sons 100 tons soft lead at £10 15s ton at Skipton.

Mr Millican reported in letter of 14th inst. the serious illness of Mr William Lee, the Senior Mine Agent.

Mr. Millican reported that the miners remain out but he suggested that public notices be issued to obtain suitable men new and old, on the Company's terms, which the Court agreed.

The cost of lead when delivered to the wharf was £9 18s 4d ton for September.

Mr Pattinson stated £1500 will be required on the 23rd inst for wages &c. to the 29th October.

The Cost statement for month ending 1st October showed the cost of lead was £9 18s 4d per ton delivered at the wharf.

22nd November 1892 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 5343.5 oz of fine silver at 3/5 13/16 an oz, they paid the company £930 18s 9d.

Read a letter from Mr John Gowling (late washing agent) of 19th inst., asking to be continued in the Company's employment. Mr Millican was authorised to give him temporary employment under him as and where it may be required and during Mr William Lee's illness. His wages not to exceed the rate of 21/- per week.

29th November 1892 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £10 15s ton.

Sold Henry Grace & Co 150 tons selected refined lead at £11 ton.

Read a letter from Mr Stoddart of 26th inst. stating that four Smelter's were given notice to leave owing to the expected short supplies of ore during the winter. There was no change in the miners strike.

6th December 1892 LLC 36

Sold W R Johnson 150 tons selected refined lead at £11 ton.

13th December 1892 LLC 36

Mr. Millican informed the Court that the miners strike continues but is expected to terminate this week.

Mr Pattinson stated that £970 will be required on the 21st inst for charges &c. The outlay for the month ending 26th November being (exclusive of the Mill Charges) being £527.

20th December 1892 LLC 36

The miners strike terminated on the 18th inst., the Bargains being then let on the Company's conditions. viz. a full 8 hours work per day for 5 days per week, and in accord with a Timetable agreed upon with the miners.

3rd January 1893 LLC 36

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants was read.

Mr Frederick Halsey Janson, Governor
Mr William John Foskett, Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Edward Horne
Mr Henry Tuke Mennell
Mr Leonard Shuter

Lieut. Col. Thomas Harvey Bramston
Mr John Schofield

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 per annum.

The cost of lead at the wharf was £5 7s 10d ton for month ending 29th October.

The miners had asked the Court to advance each miner at the next pay day the sum of £2 to be repaid £1 per month out of their regular pay, which the Court agreed.

10th January 1893 LLC 36

Mr Millican stated that the miners continue to work satisfactorily and that they appear pleased that the Court have agreed to advance to each of them £2 on account.

Read a letter from Mr Pattinson stating that £1220 (which includes £319 for allowances) will be required for wages &c. on the 18th instant.

24th January 1893 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 2957 oz of fine silver at 3/5 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £508 4s 8d.

31st January 1893 LLC 36

Mr Millican reported the death of Mr William Lee the Teesdale District Mine Agent.

7th February 1893 LLC 36

Read a letter from Mr Grenfell of 3rd inst., withdrawing his resignation of his seat at the Court. The Governor was desired to inform him that the Court accepted the withdrawal of his resignation.

14th February 1893 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Son 5 tons soft lead at £10 5s ton.

28th February 1893 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Sons 5 tons soft lead at £10 5s ton.

7th March 1893 LLC 36

The cost of lead at the wharf was £7 15s 5d ton for month ending 21st January.

14th March 1893 LLC 36

Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons of soft lead at £10 12s 6d ton at Salford.

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 50 tons soft lead at £10 2s 6d ton at Hillgate station Gateshead.

21st March 1893 LLC 36

Sold Baxendale & Co 2 tons soft lead at £10 2s 6d ton at Halifax.

28th March 1893 LLC 36

Sold Messrs Fawcett Waugh 25 tons of soft lead at £10 per ton delivered at Redheugh.

The trial at Hudeshopehead was stopped as nothing encouraging had been met.

The outlay of £13 15s was authorised to provide a water wheel for pumping at Cornish Hush mine.

4th April 1893 LLC 36

The cost of lead when delivered to the wharf was £10 9s per ton for month ending 18th February.

Mr Millican was asked to explain the great falling off in the quantity of ore raised compared with the previous month.

Mr Pattinson stated that £1810 will be required on the 12th inst for wages &c.

11th April 1893 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 2058 oz of fine silver at 3/51/8 an oz, they paid the company £352 12s 11d.

Sold Fawcett & Waugh 50 tons soft lead at 10 ton at Redheugh, and 50 tons soft lead at £10 ton at Hillgate.

Sold J G East 50 tons soft lead at £10 ton at Hillgate, and 50 tons soft lead at £10 ton at Redheugh.

18th April 1893 LLC 36

Read a letter from Mr J C Swan of 17th inst. enquiring if the Company would care to take over the Grass Hill mine from the North Green Hurth Co. or would they allow them to drive the Lady Rake level Eastwards under their own working for the purpose of unwatering them.

The Court declined to agree to either of the proposals at present.

2nd May 1893 LLC 36

The cost of lead at the wharf was £9 14s 3d ton for month ending 18th March.

Mr Pattinson stated that £1650 will be required on the 10th inst for wages &c.

9th May 1893 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 3938 oz of fine silver at 3/55/8 an oz, they paid the company £682 19s 11d.

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £10 10s ton at Skipton.

16th May 1893 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £10 10s ton at Skipton.

23rd May 1893 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 3123 oz of fine silver at 3/49/16 an oz, they paid the company £527 16s 5d.

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 100 tons soft lead at £10 ton at Hillgate & Redheugh.

Sold R Fell & Son 10 tons soft lead at £10 10s ton at Huddersfield.

Read a letter from Mr Millican of the 16th inst. asking if the directors will allow his son to assist him in the surveying department as he finds this takes too much of his time, with his increased mine duties.

Mr Millican to be informed that the Directors do not see their way to increase the staff in the North.

30th May 1893 LLC 36

The cost of lead when delivered to the wharf was £9 3s 1d per ton for month ending 15th April.

20th June 1893 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Son 10 tons soft lead at £10 5s ton at Skipton.

18th July 1893 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 4147 oz of fine silver at 2/111/16 an oz, they paid the company £616 12s 11d.

25th July 1893 LLC 36

The cost of lead at the wharf was £10 15s 6d ton for month ending 10th June.

22nd August 1883 LLC 36

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 100 tons soft lead at £10 5s ton at Hillgate.

Sold Champion Druce & Co 200 tons selected refined lead at £10 15s ton on the Thames.

Sold Henry Grace & Co 150 tons selected refined lead at £10 17s 6d ton on the Thames.

29th August 1893 LLC 36

The cost of lead at the wharf was £9 14s 2d ton for month ending 8th July.

5th September 1893 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 4023 oz of fine silver at 3/013/16 an oz, they paid the company £623 7s 1d.

19th September 1893 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £10 7s 6d at Skipton.

The cost of lead at the wharf was £9 14s 4d ton for month ending 5th August.

26th September 1893 LLC 36

Sold Walker Scot & Co 10 tons soft lead at £10 10s ton at Cotherstone.

3rd October 1893 LLC 36

Read a letter from Mr Millican of 30th Sept. reporting the recovery of the lost vein at North end of Lady Rake mine.

17th October 1893 LLC 36

The cost of lead at the wharf was £8 15s 6d ton for month ending 2nd September.

31st October 1893 LLC 36

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 100 tons soft lead at £9 17s 6d ton at Gateshead.

Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £10 5s ton at Salford.

Sold J G East & Co 150 tons soft lead at £9 17s 6d ton at Redheugh.

Sold Henry Grace & Co 230 tons selected refined lead at £10 15s ton on the Thames.

7th November 1893 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 2499 oz of fine silver at 2/97/8 an oz, they paid the company £353 17s 0d.

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £10 5s ton at Skipton.

Sold W W & R Johnson Sons & Co 200 tons selected refined lead at £10 17s 6d ton at the Thames.

Sold Brandram Brothers & Co 200 tons selected refined lead at £10 16s 3d ton, and 200 tons selected refined lead at £10 17s 6d ton on the Thames.

Sold Champion Druce & Co 200 tons selected refined lead at £11 ton on the Thames.

14th November 1893 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Son 4 tons soft lead at £10 10s ton at Huddersfield.

21st November 1893 LLC 36

The cost of lead at the wharf was £9 8s 11d ton for month ending 30th September.

6th December 1893 LLC 36

The cost of lead when delivered to the wharf was £8 12s per ton.

2nd January 1894 LLC 36

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for Electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants was read.

Mr Frederick Halsey Janson, Governor

Mr William John Foskett, Deputy Governor

Assistants

Mr Fitzpatrick Praed

Mr Edward Horne

Lieut. Col. Thomas Harvey Bramston

Mr Henry Tuke Mennell

Mr John Schofield

Mr Leonard Shuter

Resolved that John Elliot be elected to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 per annum.

16th January 1894 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 3558 oz of fine silver at 2/101/4 an oz, they paid the company £507 15s 11d.

The cost of lead at the wharf was £9 2s ton for month ending 25th November.

30th January 1894 LLC 36

Read a letter from Mr Pattinson stating that £50 in cash at the Middleton Office will generally be sufficient to meet all that is required during the month.

Letter from Mr Ralph Lee junr of 27th inst giving notice to leave the Company's service in a month.

The Governor was desired to offer Mr Lee an increase in his salary of £20 if he would remain in his present situation.

6th February 1894 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £9 15s ton at Skipton.

The cost of lead at the wharf was £8 12s 0d for month ending 23rd December.

Mr Pattinson stated that £1770 will be required on the 14th inst for wages &c.

13th February 1894 LLC 36

Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £9 17s 6d ton at Salford.

20th February 1894 LLC 36

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 100 tons soft lead at £9 10s ton at Hillgate.

27th February 1894 LLC 36

The Court had under consideration a letter from the Home Office of 10th inst. stating that under the factory acts Lead Smelting is declared to be injurious to health, and enclosing a copy of special rules as applicable to the Lead Company's works and which would become so unless notice was given within 21 days.

The Court decided to send notice of objection to the rules as being inapplicable to the Company's works and a letter in reply conveying such objection was drafted accordingly.

6th March 1894 LLC 36

The cost of lead at the wharf was £8 14s 2d for month ending 20th January.

Mr Pattinson stated that £1945 will be required on the 14th inst for wages &c.

13th March 1894 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 3650 oz of fine silver at 2/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £446 18s 10d.

27th March 1894 LLC 36

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 50 tons soft lead at £9 10s ton at Gateshead.

3rd April 1894 LLC 36

The cost of lead at the wharf was £7 12s 5d for month ending 17th February.

Mr Pattinson stated that £1810 will be required on the 11th inst for wages &c.

10th April 1894 LLC 36

Read a letter from H M Inspector of Factories of 3rd inst. enclosing a modification of the Special Rules issued by the Home Office on the 10th ulto. with regard to lead smelting works.

17th April 1894 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 3754 oz of fine silver at 2/71/8 an oz, they paid the company £487 5s 0d.

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £9 15s ton at Skipton.

24th April 1894 LLC 36

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 100 tons soft lead at £9 10s ton at Redheugh.

1st May 1894 LLC 36

The cost of lead at the wharf was £7 6s 11d ton for month ending 17th March.

Mr Pattinson stated that £2040 will be required on the 9th inst for wages &c.

15th May 1894 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 3702 oz of fine silver at 2/73/8 an oz, they paid the company £484 13s 4d.

29th May 1894 LLC 36

Mr Pattinson stated that £1750 will be required on the 6th June for wages &c.

5th June 1894 LLC 36

The cost of lead at the wharf was £8 2s 2d ton for month ending 14th April.

19th June 1894 LLC 36

Sold W W & R Johnson Sons Ltd 200 tons select refined lead at £10 ton on the Thames.

Sold Champion Druce & Co 200 tons selected refined lead at £10 ton on the Thames.

Sold Henry Grace & Co 200 tons selected refined lead at £10 ton on the Thames.

26th June 1894 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Son 10 tons of soft lead at £9 7s 6d ton at Kirkheaton.

3rd July 1894 LLC 36

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 100 tons soft lead at £9 7s 6d ton at Hillgate.

10th July 1894 LLC 36

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £10 ton at Skipton.

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 100 tons soft lead at £9 15s ton at Redheugh.

17th July 1894 LLC 36

Sold Johnson Mathey 3940 oz of fine silver at 2/67/8 an oz, they paid the company £508 1s 6d.

The cost of lead at the wharf was £7 12s 8d ton for month ending 12th May.

24th July 1894 LLC 36

The cost of lead at the wharf was £9 3s 7d ton for month ending 9th June.

£1835 will be required on 1st August for wages &c.

14th August 1894 LLC 37

Sold Mr East 100 tons soft lead at £9 15s ton.

The Company bought 100 tons of lead ore from the Great Laxey Mining Co at £10 9s ton.

21st August 1894 LLC 36

Mr Pattinson stated that £2060 will be required on the 29th inst for wages &c.

The Cost statement for month ending 7th July showed the cost of lead was £8 8s 7d per ton when delivered at the wharf.

14th September 1894 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 3723 oz of fine silver at 2/81/2 an oz, they paid the company £504 3s 0d.

18th September 1894 LLC 37

Read letter from Mr Pattinson of 17th inst. stating that £1,685 will be required for wages &c. on the 26th instant.

The Cost statement for month ending 14th August showed the cost of lead was £7 19s 1d per ton when delivered at the wharf.

2nd October 1894 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 4220 oz of fine silver at 2/71/2 an oz, they paid the company £554 17s 1d.

Read letter from Mr Millican of 1st inst. enclosing the tenders which he had received for the Drawing and Traming &c. at the several mines for one year from November to October next, when it was decided to leave the selection in the hands of Mr Millican to do what he considers best for the interests of the Company.

16th October 1894 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 10 tons soft lead at £10 7s 6d ton at Skipton.
Mr Pattinson stated that £2080 will be required on the 24th inst for wages &c.

23rd October 1894 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 5390 oz of fine silver at 2/73/8 an oz, they paid the company £705 13s 3d.

Sold R Fell & Son 10 tons soft lead at £10 ton at Huddersfield.

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 50 tons soft lead at £10 ton at Redheugh.

30th October 1894 LLC 37

Sold Baxendale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £10 10s ton at Salford.

13th November 1894 LLC 37

Sold Millwall Lead Co 100 tons selected refined lead at £10 5s ton on the Thames.

Mr Pattinson stated that £2000 will be required on the 21st inst for wages &c.

20th November 1894 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 3962 oz of fine silver at 2/71/4 an oz, they paid the company £516 9s 7d.

Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £10 7s 6d at Salford.

The Cost statement for month ending 29th September showed the cost of lead was £9 5s 4d per ton when delivered at the wharf.

28th December 1894 LLC 37

Letters were read from Mr Millican and Mr Lee of 20th inst. reporting the death on the 19th inst. of Mr Pattinson the Chief Clerk in the Middleton Office.

Also read a telegram from Mr Harrison (one of the auditors) of 21st inst. enquiring to whom the keys and cash were to be handed over to.

The Governor replied that they were to be handed over to Mr Ralph Lee, who will act temporarily as Cashier.

8th January 1895 LLC 37

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants.

Mr Frederick Halsey Janson as Governor made & signed the declarations appointed by the Charter & Bye laws.

Mr William John Foskett as Deputy Governor made & signed the declarations appointed by the Charter & Bye laws.

Mr Edward Horne, Mr Henry Tuke Mennell, Mr Fitzpatrick Praed, Mr Leonard Shuter and Lieut Col Thomas Harvey Bramston as Assistants made & signed the declarations appointed by the Charter & Bye laws.

Resolved

That Mr John Elliott be appointed to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 per annum.

15th January 1895 LLC 37

Resolved. That Messrs Barclay & Co., be requested to lend the Company a further sum of £2000.

Resolved. That in future all accounts which can be paid by cheque be so paid from the London office direct, and that such accounts be sent up to the London office for payment. This to include Rents, Railway Carriage, Store accounts and taxes over £2.

Resolved. That Ralph Lee junior be appointed temporarily as Cashier at a salary of £120 a year as from the date of the late Mr Pattinson's death.

Also Mr John Dodd Pattinson be appointed temporarily to act as assistant clerk at a salary of £50 a year.

22nd January 1895 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 3611 oz of fine silver at 2/55/16 an oz, they paid the company £441 6s 1d.

19th February 1895 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 3644.5 oz of fine silver at 2/57/16 an oz, they paid the company £447 9s 0d.

26th February 1895 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £10 2s 6d at Skipton.

Read a letter from Messrs Smith Gore & Co stating that they are prepared to advise the Ecclesiastical Commissioners to continue the allowance of £75 for the year ending May day next.

5th March 1895 LLC 37

Mr R Lee stated that £1425 will be required on the 13th inst for wages &c.

12th March 1895 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 10 tons soft lead at £10 5s ton at Huddersfield.

19th March 1895 LLC 37

Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £10 5s ton at Salford.

2nd April 1895 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £9 18s 9d ton at Newcastle,

Mr R Lee stated that £1540 will be required on the 9th inst for wages &c.

9th April 1895 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 4322 oz of fine silver at 2/87/8 an oz, they paid the company £592 11s 0d. Sold Brandram Brothers & Co 400 tons soft lead at £10 3s 9d ton on the Thames.

17th April 1895 LLC 37

Sold Mr East 50 tons soft lead at £10 ton at Newcastle.

23rd April 1895 LLC 37

Sold Mr East 200 tons soft lead at £10 ton at Newcastle.

Sold William Douglas 50 tons soft lead at £10 ton at Newcastle.

30th April 1895 LLC 37

Sold J G East 100 tons soft lead at £10 ton at Newcastle.

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £10 ton at Newcastle.

21st May 1895 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £10 12s 6d ton at Skipton.

Sold Millwall Lead Co 100 tons selected refined lead at £10 15s ton on the Thames.

Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £10 12s 6d ton at Salford.

28th May 1895 LLC 37

Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 50 tons soft lead at £10 5s ton at Newcastle.
Sold Baxendale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £10 15s ton at Salford.
Sold J G East & Co 100 tons soft lead at £10 6s 3d ton at Newcastle.
Sold Champion Druce & Co 300 tons selected refined lead at £11 ton on the Thames.
Mr R Lee stated that £1470 will be required on the 5th next for wages &c.

4th June 1895 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 4398 oz of fine silver at 2/9 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £607 18s 3d. Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £10 17s 6d ton at Skipton.
Sold J G East 50 tons soft lead at £10 10s ton at Newcastle.

11th June 1895 LLC 37

Sold J G East 100 tons soft lead at £10 12s 6d ton at Newcastle.
Resolved that the arrears of rent due from Mr Pattinson at the time of his death be forgiven, and that a donation of £20 be made to his widow.

25th June 1895 LLC 37

The draft of a letter to be written to Mr Hutchinson with reference to a new lease of his mineral ground was agreed upon.

2nd July 1895 LLC 37

Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £10 15s ton at Salford.

16th July 1895 LLC 37

Sold J G East 50 tons soft lead at £10 15s ton at Newcastle.
Sold Fawcett Waugh & Co 50 tons soft lead at £10 15s ton at Hillgate Station Gateshead.
Resolved that it be recommended to the proprietors that the capital of the Company be reduced in the following manner.
1st. That the capital of the Company be reduced to £76,000 by writing off £19,000 part of the loss shown on the balance sheet.
2nd. That the sum of £294 9s 10d part of the ascertained profit for the last half year, be applied to writing off the balance of loss then standing to debit of profit and loss.
3rd. That the estimated value of the mining lease be written down from £20,000 to £15,000.
4th. That the amount of £5,000 now standing to suspense account (provision for unclaimed shares and dividends) be written off.
5th. That the balance profit £2,464 10s 5d for the last half year be placed to a separate account as suggested in the directors report to the proprietors.

30th July 1895 LLC 37

Sold J G East 50 tons soft lead at £11 ton at Newcastle.
Sold Locke Blackett & Co 50 tons soft lead at £11 ton at Newcastle.
Sold J G East 50 tons soft lead at £11 2s 6d ton at Newcastle.
Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £11 15s ton at Salford.
Read a letter from Mr Mennell with reference to work proposed to be carried out at Lady Rake mine which he has just visited, when the Directors decided that for the present it is not desirable to continue the level Eastwards in the Lady Rake mine under the Wigram level and that Mr Millican be informed thereof accordingly.

6th August 1895 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 4349 oz of fine silver at 2/8 9/16 an oz, they paid the company £590 2s 10d.

The following appeared in the London Gazette 16th August 1895

*Lead Office
9, Martin's Lane, Cannon-Street
London, E.C., August 13, 1895.*

NOTICE is hereby given that a Special General Court of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting Down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal will be hold at the offices of the Corporation, 9, Martin's Lane, Cannon-street, in the city of London, on Tuesday, the 3rd day of September, 1895, at one o'clock in the afternoon, precisely, to take into consideration recommendations which will then be presented by the Court of Assistants that the joint stock or capital of the Company be reduced and diminished to the sum of £76,000, by writing of in reduction and diminution of the joint stock or capital £19,000, out of the balance or loss of £19,294 9s. 10d, standing on the 27th October, 1894, to the debit of profit and loss account, and that the £5,000 standing to the credit of suspense account be written off the £20,000, at which the mine leases at present stand in the Company's books so as to reduce that amount to £15,000, and if agreed to passing a resolution giving effect to the said recommendations and reducing and diminishing the joint stock or capital accordingly, and for the purpose of declaring a dividend. By order of the Court of Assistants.

JOHN ELLIOTT, Secretary,

F. H. JANSON,

41 Finsbury-circus, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court.

20th August 1895 LLC 37

Resolved to recommend to the general Court that a dividend of 5/- per share for the period ending 11th May last be declared. (*this amounted to £2,375*)

3rd September 1895 LLC 37

Sold J G East 100 tons soft lead at £11 5s ton at Newcastle.

Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £11 12s 6d ton.

10th September 1895 LLC 37

Sold Fawcett & Waugh 50 tons soft lead at £11 5s ton at Hillgate.

Sold Fawcett & Waugh 100 tons soft lead at £11 7s 6d ton at Redheugh.

17th September 1895 LLC 37

Mr R Lee stated that £1510 will be required on the 25th inst for wages &c.

27th September 1895 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 4361 oz of fine silver at 2/87/8 an oz, they paid the company £597 18s 0d.

1st October 1895 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £11 7s 6d ton at Newcastle.

Sold J G East & Co 50 tons soft lead at £11 7s 6d ton at Newcastle.

Sold J G East & Co 75 tons soft lead at £10 15s ton.

8th October 1895 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £10 15s ton at Newcastle.

15th October 1895 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas 50 tons soft lead at £11 10s ton at Newcastle.

Sold James & Co 100 tons soft lead at £11 12s 6d ton.

Sold R Fell & Son 5 tons soft lead at £11 17s 6d ton.

22nd October 1895 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 5 tons soft lead at £12 2s 6d ton at Huddersfield.

Mr Millican reported that a vein had been cut on the East side of Sump foot at Lady's Rake mine, which contains nice ore.

29th October 1895 LLC 37

Sold J G East 5 tons soft lead at £11 12s 6d ton at Backworth.

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £12 2s 6d ton at Skipton.

5th November 1895 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 4216 oz of fine silver at 2/9 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £588 13s 6d.

12th November 1895 LLC 37

Read letters from Mr Millican of 6th, 7th and 11th inst. with reference to the reductions made in the rates of wages at the last Bargains, also with regard to the cost of ore at Wiregill and Little Egglehope mines.

Mr R Lee stated that £1605 will be required on the 20th inst for wages &c.

3rd December 1895 LLC 37

Sold Baxendale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £12 7s 6d ton.

Read a letter from Messrs Watson's of 2nd inst. stating that Mr Hutchinson would accept 1/16th as a minimum Royalty the conditions of the new lease to be the same as last.

17th December 1895 LLC 37

Read letter from Mr Millican of 16th inst., with reference to the mode of colouring the working sections of the plans of the mines.

Resolved That for future the colouring of these plans be based on the value per miners fathom and that a note to be made on the plans when the alteration in the system was made.

£1490 sent to Messrs Backhouse & Co for wages &c.

31st December 1895 LLC 37

A dividend of 5/- per share for the period ending 26th October last be declared.

Mr Millican's letter of 23rd inst was considered and the following was decided upon when the miners fathom contains

cwt		cwt		
	Under	6	to be coloured	Yellow dotted
6	and under	10	"	Yellow
10	and under	16	"	Red
16	and upwards		"	Blue

7th January 1896 LLC 37

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants.

Mr Frederick Halsey Janson as Governor made & signed the declarations appointed by the Charter & Bye laws.

Mr William John Foskett as Deputy Governor made & signed the declarations appointed by the Charter & Bye laws.

Mr Edward Horne, Mr Henry Tuke Mennell, Mr Fitzpatrick Praed, Mr Leonard Shuter and Lieut Col Thomas Harvey Bramston as Assistants made & signed the declarations appointed by the Charter & Bye laws.

Resolved

That Mr John Elliott be appointed to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 per annum.

Mr R Lee stated that £1533 will be required on the 6th inst for wages &c.

14th January 1896 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 4099 oz of fine silver at 2/83/8 an oz, they paid the company £563 2s 7d.

4th February 1896 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 100 tons soft lead at £11 12s 6d ton at Newcastle.

The Company bought 100 tons Great Laxey ore at £11 12s 6d ton.

Mr R Lee stated that £1446 will be required on the 12th inst for wages &c.

11th February 1896 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £12 ton.

25th February 1896 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £12 ton.

Mr. Millican reported 2 boys employed by the contractor in washing cutting heaps at Coldbury had lost their lives by a fall of cuttings.

A donation of £5 was made to the relatives of each of the boys who were killed at Coldbury.

3rd March 1896 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 4078 oz of fine silver at 2/93/4 an oz, they paid the company £573 19s 10d.

24th March 1896 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 25 tons soft lead at £11 12s 6d ton at Newcastle.

31st March 1896 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 4504 oz of fine silver at 2/95/8 an oz, they paid the company £632 13s 8d.

7th April 1896 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 5 tons soft lead at £12 ton at Leeds.

14th April 1896 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 5 tons soft lead at £12 ton at Huddersfield.

Received a draft of a new lease from Mr Hutchinson.

21st April 1896 LLC 37

Sold Henry Grace & Co 200 tons selected refined lead at £11 15s ton at Newcastle.

28th April 1896 LLC 37

Mr R Lee stated that £1495 will be required on the 6th May for wages &c.

9th June 1896 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £11 12s 6d ton at Skipton.

Sold J G East 50 tons soft lead at £11 6s 3d ton at Newcastle.

23rd June 1896 LLC 37

Resolved That all sales of lead effected to this date be included in the past half years stock at sale price; also that the Market Price of Lead at the wharf on 9th May be taken at £11 per ton.

Mr R Lee stated that £1445 will be required on the 1st July for wages &c.

30th June 1896 LLC 37

Read a special report from Mr Herdman upon the proposed trial at Parkins Hush.

7th July 1896 LLC 37

Sold Henry Grace & Co 200 tons selected refined lead at £11 15s ton at Newcastle.

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £11 6s 3d ton at Redheugh.

Sold R Fell & son 5 tons soft lead at £11 12s 6d ton at Huddersfield.

21st July 1896 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 3031 oz of fine silver at 2/93/4 an oz, they paid the company £427 9s 5d.

Sold R Fell & Son 205 tons soft lead at £11 12s 6d ton at £11 12s 6d at Skipton & Leeds.

Mr R Lee stated that £1495 will be required on the 29th inst for wages &c.

11th August 1896 LLC 37

Sold J G East 50 tons soft lead at £11 5s ton.

1st September 1896 LLC 37

Sold Baxendale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £11 10s ton at Salford.

8th September 1896 LLC 37

Sold Baxendale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £11 10s ton at Salford.

15th September 1896 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 4009.5 oz of fine silver at 2/87/8 an oz, they paid the company £549 14s 1d.

22nd September 1896 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £11 7s 6d ton at Newcastle.

29th September 1896 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas 25 tons soft lead at £11 10s ton at Newcastle.

The Seal of the Company was attached to the Counterpart of a new lease from Mr Hutchinson.

6th October 1896 LLC 37

Sold Henry Grace & Co 250 tons selected refined lead at £11 17s 6d ton.

20th October 1896 LLC 37

Read a letter from Mr Millican of the 17th inst. enclosing a report upon the several points suggested for the proposed Cross cut West at Lady's Rake mine and the recommendation that be started at the South End of Cross vein is approved.

Mr R Lee stated that £1485 will be required on the 21st inst for wages &c.

27th October 1896 LLC 37

Sold Baxendale & Co 25 tons soft lead at £11 15s ton at Salford.

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £11 15s ton at Skipton.

Sold Mathews Newcastle upon Tyne District White Lead Co 25 tons soft lead at £11 10s ton.

3rd November 1896 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 5432 oz of fine silver at 2/81/4 an oz, they paid the company £731 0s 0d.

10th November 1896 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £11 10s ton at Newcastle.

Sold Baxendale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £11 17s 6d ton at Salford.

Special report upon the "New Streak level" trial from Mr Millican, Mr Hunt and Mr Herdman received.

17th November 1896 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £11 15s ton.

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £12 2s 6d ton at Skipton.

Read a letter from Mr Scarth of 11th inst with reference to the unsettled question of boundary at Little Egglesthorpe Mine between Lord Barnard's and Mr Hutchinson's ground.

Mr R Lee stated that £1845 will be required on the 25th inst for wages &c.

24th November 1896 LLC 37

Sold Hanson Dale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £11 12s ton at Romaldkirk.

Sold Baxendale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £12 5s ton at Salford.

1st December 1896 LLC 37

Sold Baxendale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £12 5s ton at Salford.

Special report upon the proposed trial at Hudeshope low level was received from Mr Millican, Mr Hunt and Mr Herdman.

8th December 1896 LLC 37

Read a letter from Mr Millican reporting that a settlement had been arrived respecting the boundary between Lord Barnard's and Mr Hutchinson's ground at Little Egglesthorpe mine.

22nd December 1896 LLC 37

Sold Baxendale & Co 20 tons soft lead at £12 5s ton.

The profit for the half year ending 31st October last was £4409 2s 6d.

Dividend of 7/6 per share recommended for the period ending 31st October last. (*previous dividends had been 5/-*)

5th January 1897 LLC 37

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants.

Mr Frederick Halsey Janson as Governor made & signed the declarations appointed by the Charter & Bye laws.

Mr William John Foskett as Deputy Governor made & signed the declarations appointed by the Charter & Bye laws.

Mr Edward Horne, Mr Henry Tuke Mennell, Mr Fitzpatrick Praed, Mr Leonard Shuter and Lieut Col Thomas Harvey Bramston as Assistants made & signed the declarations appointed by the Charter & Bye laws.

Resolved

That Mr John Elliott be appointed to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 per annum.

5th January 1897 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 4287 oz of fine silver at 2/8 1/4 an oz, they paid the company £575 14s 1d.

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £11 17s 6d ton at Newcastle.

19th January 1897 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £12 5s ton at Skipton.

Mr Millican reported the discovery of ore in Tinklers Allotment near Middleton.

26th January 1897 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas 50 tons soft lead at £11 17s 6d at Newcastle.

Sold William Douglas 50 tons soft lead at £11 18s 9d at Newcastle.

9th February 1897 LLC 37

Sold Holman, Mitchell & Co 100 tons soft lead at £12 7s 6d at St Helens Lancs.
The ore raising for the current quarter is estimated at 2,866 Bings.
Mr R Lee stated that £1370 will be required on the 17th inst for wages &c.

16th February 1897 LLC 37

Sold Baxendale & Co 20 tons soft lead at £12 7s 6d ton at Salford.
Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £12 5s ton at Skipton.

9th March 1897 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 3903 oz of fine silver at 2/7 11/16 an oz, they paid the company £515 7s 4d.
Sold R Fell & Son 12 tons soft lead at £12 7s 6d ton at Thornhill station.
Sold Holman, Mitchell & Co 100 tons soft lead at £12 5s ton at St Helens.
Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £12 2s 6d ton at Skipton.

6th April 1897 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £12 2s 6d ton at Skipton.
Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £11 17s 6d ton at Newcastle.
Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £12 5s ton at Skipton.
Mr R Lee stated that £1445 will be required on the 13th inst for wages &c.

13th April 1897 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 5 tons soft lead at £12 5s ton at Halifax.

27th April 1897 LLC 37

Sold J G East 50 tons soft lead at £11 17s 6d ton at Newcastle.
Read a letter from Mr R Lee of the 19th inst., making application for the Company's House at Hude Top now vacant owing to the death of the widow of the late Mr William Lee. And Mr Herdman applies for Lane Head Cottage in the event of Mr Lee junr vacating it.
The Court agreed to the House at Hude Top to Mr R Lee at an annual rent of £10. The application from Mr Herdman will stand over for the consideration of the next Deputation.

4th May 1897 LLC 37

Sold J G East 50 tons soft lead at £11 17s 6d ton at Newcastle.

11th May 1897 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 3896.5 oz of fine silver at 2/6 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £489 6s 7d.
Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £12 2s 6d ton at Skipton.

18th May 1897 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £12 2s 6d ton at Skipton.
Sold William Douglas & Co 100 tons soft lead at £11 17s 6d ton at Newcastle.
Sold J G East 50 tons soft lead at £11 17s 6d ton at Newcastle.
Sold Holman, Mitchell & Co 100 tons soft lead at £12 7s 6d ton at St Helens.
Sold J G East 50 tons soft lead at £12 2s 6d ton at Newcastle.

25th May 1897 LLC 37

Sold Henry Grace & Co 200 tons selected refined lead at £12 7s 6d ton on the Thames.
Sold Baxendale & Co 25 tons soft lead at £12 10s ton at Salford.
A donation of £10 10s was made to the Snaefell Mining disaster fund.

9th June 1897 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Matthey 2474 oz of fine silver at 2/513/16 an oz, they paid the company £307 4s 2d.

Sold Brandram Brothers & Co 400 tons soft lead at £12 5s ton.

Sold Baxendale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £12 10s ton.

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £12 10s ton.

15th June 1897 LLC 37

The 22nd June being the celebration of the Queens Jubilee the directors decided to give their employees a holiday on that day, and all wagemen are to receive their wages for that day and to those employed in piece work 3/- to each man and 1/- to each boy.

24th June 1897 LLC 37

Sold Mr East 50 tons of soft lead at £12 2s 6d ton at Newcastle.

Read a letter from Mr Ralph Lee reporting the death of Mr. Millican on the 22 June.

6th July 1897 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & son 100 tons soft lead at £12 15s ton.

The profit and loss account for the half year ending 15th May last showed a profit of £7,024 14s 1d.

A dividend of 10/- per share was recommended.

20th July 1897 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 5 tons soft lead at £12 17s 6d ton at Manchester.

27th July 1897 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Matthey 4274 oz of fine silver at 2/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £529 10s 8d.

Sold R Fell & Son 300 tons soft lead at £12 17s 6d ton at Skipton.

Mr R Lee stated that £1475 will be required on the 4th August for wages &c.

3rd August 1897 LLC 37

Resolved that the donation of £100 promised by the deputation to Mrs Millican, widow of the late superintendent be placed in a suspense account and that she be allowed to draw it as and when she may require.

17th August 1897 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £12 17s 6d ton at Newcastle.

24th August 1897 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £13 7s 6d ton at Skipton.

7th September 1897 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £13 7s 6d ton at Newcastle.

Sold Holman Mitchell & Co 100 tons soft lead at £14 ton at St Helens.

A scheme suggested by Mr Pinkney for pumping the water out of the sump at low level workings in the North vein at Wiregill was submitted by Mr. Hunt who recommended that it be commenced at once, the estimated cost is about £200, more than half of that is for the iron pipes to connect with the present Hydraulic engine. This scheme was approved and is to be commenced immediately.

21st September 1897 LLC 37

Mr R Lee stated that £1375 will be required on the 29th inst for wages &c.

28th September 1897 LLC 37

Sold Holman Mitchell & Co 100 tons soft lead at £14 5s ton at St Helens.

5th October 1897 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Matthey 4731 oz of fine silver at 2/31 1/2 an oz, they paid the company £542 5s 10d.

26th October 1897 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Matthey 2381 oz of fine silver at 2/51 1/8 an oz, they paid the company £288 19s 6d.

Sold William Douglas & Co 25 tons soft lead at £14 ton at Newcastle.

The Company tender of £8 10s 3d ton for Green Hurth ore was accepted.

2nd November 1897 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas 50 tons soft lead at £14 ton at Newcastle.

The Company tender of £12 17s 9d per ton for 100 tons of Great Laxey ore was accepted.

It was decided to increase the charge for sawing wood for outside parties at the Company's wood yard from 1/8 to 2/- per 100 feet.

9th November 1897 LLC 37

Sold Henry Grace & Co 100 tons selected refined lead at £14 ton on the Thames.

16th November 1897 LLC 37

Received a letter from Vieille Montagne Zinc Company, inviting tenders for their lead ore production at Nenthead and in Sweden for the year 1898.

The Governor, Mr. Mennell and Mr. Praed were appointed to decide what price to tender allowing the Company a profit of not less than 15/- per ton.

23rd November 1897 LLC 37

Read a letter from Mr J T Millican of the 15th inst. stating that his mother desired him to ask for the £100 promised to her by the Court. A cheque was signed and forwarded to her on the 17th inst.

7th December 1897 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £13 10s ton at Newcastle.

A letter was received from Vieille Montagne Zinc Company in reply to the Company's offer for Nenthead lead ore, which was referred to a committee for consideration and reply.

14th December 1897 LLC 37

Mr R Lee stated that £1395 will be required on Tuesday next for wages &c.

29th December 1897 LLC 37

Read a letter from Mr Hunt of 22nd inst reporting the death of Mr R Lee senr.

Also read a letter from Mr R Lee 28th inst asking that his Mother may be allowed to remain in the house she now occupied. This was assented to during the pleasure of the Court.

For the half year ending 30th October last a profit of £6,563 6s 2d was shown.

A dividend of 10/- per share was recommended.

4th January 1898 LLC 7

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants.

Mr William John Foskett as Deputy Governor made & signed the declarations appointed by the Charter & Bye laws.

Mr Edward Horne, Mr Henry Tuke Mennell, Mr Fitzpatrick Praed, Mr Leonard Shuter and Lieut Col Thomas Harvey Bramston as Assistants made & signed the declarations appointed by the Charter & Bye laws.

Resolved

That Mr John Elliott be appointed to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 per annum, and that a donation of £50 be made to him for the past year.

11th January 1898 LLC 37

Mr Frederick Halsey Janson as Governor made & signed the declarations appointed by the Charter & Bye laws.

Sold Johnson Mathey 4224 oz of fine silver at 2/45/16 an oz, they paid the company £498 8s 4d.

Read a letter from Mr Lee of 10th inst., stating that £1435 will be required on the 19th inst for wages &c.

25th January 1898 LLC 37

Sold Brandram Brother & Co 200 tons soft lead at £13 ton.

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £13 2s 6d ton.

Bought 30 tons of Green Hurth Ore at £7 10s 3d ton.

1st February 1898 LLC 37

Sold Baxendale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Salford.

Sold Hanson Dale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £13 2s 6d ton at Huddersfield.

8th February 1898 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 3652 oz of fine silver at 2/41/8 an oz, they paid the company £427 16s 10d.

Read a letter from Messrs Watson of 25th ult., stating that the amount of £178 8s 2d paid to Mr Hutchinson for Royalty should be £211 17s 2d the rate to be the same as paid Lord Barnard it being quite understood by them that the terms of the two leases were to be identical and requesting that the terms of Mr Hutchinson's lease be rectified.

Read Telegram from the Deputy Governor today stating that he had very satisfactory interview with Manager at Nenthead. Arrangements were made yesterday with Mr Hill and operations commence forthwith at Knotts Quarry.

Mr R Lee stated that £1335 will be required on the 16th inst for wages &c.

1st March 1898 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 5 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Halifax.

8th March 1898 LLC 37

Mr R Lee stated that £1340 will be required on the 16th inst for wages &c.

22nd March 1898 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Skipton.

5th April 1898 LLC 37

Sold Hanson Dale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Huddersfield.

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Sheffield.

The Court received a letter from the secretary of the Company's reading room at Middleton thanking the Court for the books sent down for use there.

Mr R Lee stated that £1485 will be required on the 13th inst for wages &c.

12th April 1898 LLC 37

Sold Hanson Dale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Huddersfield.
Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £13 ton at Newcastle.

19th April 1898 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Matthey 8217.5 oz of fine silver at 2/41/16 an oz, they paid the company £960 8s 1d.
Sold William Douglas & Co 100 tons soft lead at £13 ton at Newcastle.

26th April 1898 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £13 ton at Newcastle.
Sold Matthews White lead Co 100 tons soft lead at £13 ton at Newcastle.
Sold Holman Michell & Co 50 tons soft lead at £13 10s ton at St Helens.
Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £13 15s ton at Skipton.

3rd May 1898 LLC 37

Mr R Lee stated that £1355 will be required on the 11th inst for wages &c.

17th May 1898 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Matthey 2606 oz of fine silver at 2/45/16 an oz, they paid the company £307 9s 11d.
The Ecclesiastical Commission had agreed to allow £50 off the years farm rent in Bollyhope, "which is to be final".

24th May 1898 LLC 37

Mr. Hunt reported that owing to his overvaluation of the Bouse at Cornish Hush the partnership there had been over paid.

14th June 1898 LLC 37

Sold Henry Grace & Co 100 tons selected refined lead at £14 10s ton on the Thames.

21st June 1898 LLC 37

Resolved that the stocks of ore, lead etc resting on the 14th May be valued on the same basis as before provided such basis does not exceed the market value on that day of £13 5s per ton for lead and 2s 6d per ounce for silver, the lead content of ore and Bouse to be taken at 77%.

1st July 1898 LLC 37

The half year ending 14th May last shows a profit of £4,642 15s 7d.
A dividend of 10/- per share was approved.

5th July 1898 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 5 tons soft lead at £14 5s ton at Halifax.

12th July 1898 LLC 37

164 Warrants were signed for the dividend declared by the General Court today of 10s per share on 9500 shares amounting to £4750.
The Court heard that a Miner Joseph Watson had met with an accident to his foot while working in the mine.

19th July 1898 LLC 37

Sold Matthews White lead Co 25 tons soft lead at £13 15s ton at Newcastle. (This company went into receivership August 1898 owing the Company £332 14s 7d)

26th July 1898 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 4319 oz of fine silver at 2/51/2 an oz, they paid the company £531 9s 4d. Mr R Lee stated that £1400 will be required on the 2nd August for wages &c.

16th August 1898 LLC 37

Sold Henry Grace & Co 100 tons selected refined lead at £13 15s on the Thames. Joseph Watson has made a claim for compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act of 1897 for the full 5 weeks he has been from work. The Court agreed to pay him 3 weeks at the rate of half his average earnings for the past 12 months in accordance with the Compensation Act.

23rd August 1898 LLC 37

Bought 25 tons of Green Hurth ore at £7 13s 7d ton.

6th September 1898 LLC 37

Sold Hanson Dale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £13 10s ton at Huddersfield.

20th September 1898 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £13 15s ton at Skipton.

27th September 1898 LLC 37

Sold Baxendale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £13 15s ton at Salford. The receivers for Matthews White Lead Co had been authorised to pay the Company the £332 14s 7d it was owed. Mr. Hunt reported an accident to two miners in Little Egglestone mine.

4th October 1898 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 4040 oz of fine silver at 2/67/16 an oz, they paid the company £513 0s 6d. Sold Baxendale & Co 25 tons soft lead at £13 5s ton at Salford.

11th October 1898 LLC 37

Sold Holman Michell & Co 200 tons soft lead at £13 11s 3d ton at St Helens. Sold R Fell & Son 200 tons soft lead at £13 15s ton at Skipton. Sold Hanson Dale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £13 15s ton at Huddersfield.

25th October 1898 LLC 37

Mr. George Allinson the Engineman at the wood yard received an increase of 2/- per week in wages.

8th November 1898 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 2205 oz of fine silver at 2/69/16 an oz, they paid the company £280 12s 6d. Sold Holman Michell & Co 100 tons soft lead at £14 7s 6d ton at St Helens. Read a letter from Mr Hunt of 7th inst. stating that Mr M Allinson claims compensation for 4 weeks during which he was incapacitated from work through the accident at the mines.

15th November 1898 LLC 37

The Vieille Montagne Zinc Co. invited tenders for next years production of lead ore at Nenthead about 1,600 tons.

6th December 1898 LLC 37

A miner had a rib broken at Lady's Rake mine.

13th December 1898 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 5 tons soft lead at £14 2s 6d ton at Halifax.

The Bye Laws of the Company were changed so that the number of Assistants shall not be more than 4 or less than 2, with the Governor and Deputy Governor making a total of 6.

Mr R Lee stated that £1135 will be required on the 21st inst for wages &c.

20th December 1898 LLC 37

Mr. Hunt reported another accident to a miner through the explosion of a detonator resulting in the loss of a hand.

30th December 1898 LLC 37

For half year ending 31st October last a profit of £2,809 1s 10d was made. A dividend of 5/- per share was recommended.

3rd January 1899 LLC 37

The proceedings of the Court of Proprietors for electing a Governor, Deputy Governor and eight Assistants.

Mr Frederick Halsey Janson as Governor made & signed the declarations appointed by the Charter & Bye laws.

Mr William John Foskett as Deputy Governor made & signed the declarations appointed by the Charter & Bye laws.

Mr Henry Tuke Mennell, Mr Fitzpatrick Praed, Mr Leonard Shuter and Lieut Col Thomas Harvey Bramston as Assistants made & signed the declarations appointed by the Charter & Bye laws.

Resolved

That Mr John Elliott be appointed to the joint office of Secretary and accountant for the present year at a salary of £300 per annum.

6th January 1899. London Gazette

Lead Office, January 3, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a General Court of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal, will be held at the Company's office, 9, Martin's lane, Cannon street, London, on Tuesday, the 24th January next, at one o'clock in the afternoon precisely, being a half-yearly General Court, to receive the accounts for the half year, and to consider of a dividend, also to consider and confirm an alteration of the Bye-Laws relating to the number of Assistants required to make a quorum. The Transfer Book will be closed from the 18th to the 24th January inclusive. By order of the Court of Assistants,

JOHN ELLIOTT, Secretary.

10th January 1899 LLC 37

Resolved that Messrs Barclay & Co. be requested to transfer £1000 from the Company Deposit account to Current account.

Sold Hanson Dale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £14 ton delivered at Huddersfield

Sold to Messrs Holman Mitchell & Co., 100 tons of soft lead at £14 per ton delivered at St Helens

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £14 5s ton at Skipton.

Read a letter from Mr Fife (Lord Barnard's agent) of 5th inst. with reference to the rate of way leave (2d per Ton of ore) named in the clause of the new lease of December 1888.

17th January 1899 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 10 tons soft lead at £14 5s ton at Bradford.

Mr. John S Watson gave notice of a claim for damages under the Workmen's Compensation Act.

24th January 1899 LLC 37

Purchased 25 tons of Green Hurth ore at £8 11s 9d ton.

31st January 1899 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 4330 oz of fine silver at 2/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £536 9s 6d.
Sold Locke Blackett & Co 50 tons soft lead at £13 17s 6d ton at Newcastle.
Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £13 17s 6d ton at Newcastle.
Sold Holman Michell & Co 100 tons soft lead at £14 5s ton at St Helens.

7th February 1899 LLC 37

Mr R Lee stated that £1087 will be required on the 15th inst for wages &c.

14th February 1899 LLC 37

Sold Hanson Dale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £16 ton at Huddersfield.
Sold Locke Blackett & Co 25 tons soft lead at £15 ton at Hillgate station, Gateshead.
Mr. Hunt reported an accident to a washer boy at Little Egglesthorpe mine.

21st February 1899 LLC 37

Read a letter from Mr Hunt of 20th inst. enclosing one from Mr Daivson of 17th inst. stating that 5 sheep have been lost in the Company's workings and water race, valued at £5 and he enquires when a settlement May be expected.
The Court repudiate all liability and the secretary was instructed to write to Mr Hunt accordingly.

28th February 1899 LLC 37

Mr. Praed was requested to visit the North this week to meet an engineer there for consultation as to the best means of remedying defects in the pumping arrangements at Wiregill, which are not working satisfactorily.

7th March 1899 LLC 37

Read a letter from Mr Fife (Lord Barnard's agent) of 6th inst. with reference to a proposed exchange of Mineral Ground at Ettersgill for a portion at Harwood.
Mr Blacketts first report on the Wiregill pumping arrangements with his suggestions for immediate additions was desired and read, which was referred to a committee of the Deputy Governor, Mr Mennell, and Mr Praed.
Mr Hunt submitted a list of Rules to be observed by the miners for approval, which was referred to the above committee.
Mr R Lee stated that £1060 will be required on the 15th inst for wages &c.

14th March 1899 LLC 37

Read a letter from Messrs Smith Gore & Co of 13th inst. applying for payment of £307 9s 5d for Bollyhope farm rent and interest to November last.
Read a letter from Mr Lee of the 13th inst., stating that he purposes inviting tenders for the supply of 9/10,000 feet of Larch poles for delivery during the year, which was approved

21st March 1899 LLC 37

Read a Letter from Mr W C Blackett of 15th inst. enclosing his final report upon the pumping arrangements at Wiregill with suggestions for improving the same.
Also a report by Mr Herdman upon the prospects at Hudeshope Low Level, which are not encouraging for further outlay, and it was decided to stop all operations.

28th March 1899 LLC 37

Ecclesiastical Commission had agreed to make a reduction in the Bollyhope Farm rent of £22 5s 2d this being a reduction in the interest charge from 5% to 4%.

6th April 1899 LLC 37

Read a letter from Mr Fife of 1st inst., with reference to Mr Coatsworths sheep drowned in the Coldbury water race.

Mr R Lee stated that £1116 will be required on the 12th inst for wages &c.

11th April 1899 LLC 37

Sold Hanson Dale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £15 5s ton at Huddersfield.

Read a letter from Mr Hunt of 10th inst. stating that he estimates the ore raising for the remaining 2 months of the current half-year will be 570 Bings and for the following half year 1,964 Bings.

18th April 1899 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £15 5s ton at Skipton.

A special report on the cost of sinking into the Great Limestone at the Cross-cut at Wiregill estimated at £154 was read.

25th April 1899 LLC 37

Purchased 25 tons of Green Hurth ore at £9 1s 9d ton.

2nd May 1899 LLC 37

Mr R Lee stated that £970 will be required on the 15th inst for wages &c.

16th May 1899 LLC 37

Sold Hanson Dale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £15 2s 6d ton at Huddersfield.

24th May 1899 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Matthey 3958 oz of fine silver at 2/67/16 an oz, they paid the company £501 10s 0d.

Read a letter from Mr Hunt of 18th inst. with one enclosed from the solicitor of John S Watson with reference to the amount of compensation payable to him.

30th May 1899 LLC 37

Letter from Mr Lee of 29th inst. stating that £870 will be required on the 7th June for wages &c. and enquires how the alterations to the Wiregill Pumps are to be treated in the half years accounts, when it was desired to pass the cost to "Reserve account", the cost of the previous additions having been placed to "Plant account".

6th June 1899 LLC 37

Purchased 25 tons of Green Hurth ore at £8 18s 4d ton.

Read a letter from Messrs T M Barron and Smith of 2nd inst. with reference to J S Watson's claim for compensation stating that as the workmen are anxious to have a decision on the question of the deduction of boys labour in arriving at the net average earnings, they propose to file an application for arbitration, and state that the Court will be the Barnard Castle County Court or if the Company prefer it the Darlington County Court. They presumed the process can be served at the Middleton office.

It was approved that the application should be made to the Barnard Castle County Court and the process served at Middleton office. Messrs W W J Watson are to be requested to attend to this matter on the Company's behalf.

13th June 1899 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £14 12s 6d ton at Newcastle.

The cost of the following trials was read to the Court.

Hudeshope Low Level	£603	5s	3d
Parkins Hush	£814	7s	11d
Knotts Quarry	£337	4s	3d
	£1,754	17s	5d

20th June 1899 LLC 37

Read a letter from Mr Blackett of the 13th inst. stating that he thinks he can get a mine manager for the Company for £175 for first year with increments of £25 until it reaches £250.

27th June 1899 LLC 37

Sold Holman Michell & Co 100 tons soft lead at £15 ton at St Helens.

Read a letter from Mr Henry S Willis of 26th inst. notifying his acceptance of the post of manager on the conditions named by the deputation viz. salary of £200 a year for the first two years then rising £25 a year until the salary reaches £250.

£956 will be required on 5th July for wages &c.

Notice of Arbitration was served on the Company (Under the Workmen's Compensation Act 1897) re J S Watson's claim to be held at The Barnard Castle County Court on 14th August.

4th July 1899 LLC 37

Read a letter from Mr Hunt of 3rd inst. resigning his position as Manager of the Company's mines.

The draft of agreement with Mr H S Willis the new manager prepared by Messrs Clarke Rawlins & Co was laid before the Court.

The Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the half year ending 13th May last which shows a profit of £2,020 4s 7d.

A dividend of 5s was recommended.

4th July 1899. London Gazette

Lead Office, June 27, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given that the General Court of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit

Coal and Sea Coal, will be held at the Company's office, 9, Martin's-lane, Cannon-street, London, on Tuesday, the 18th July, at one o'clock in the afternoon precisely, being a Half-yearly General Court, to receive the accounts, and to consider of a Dividend.

The Transfer Book will be shut from the 13th to the 18th July, inclusive.

JOHN ELLIOTT, Secretary.

11th July 1899 LLC 37

The draft agreement with Mr H S Willis was approved and ordered to be sent to Mr Willis for his approval.

Read a letter from Mr Hunt of 10th inst. stating that he had seen Robert Raisbeck and enquired what amount he claimed for loss of his eye and he named £50 or it could go to arbitration.

The Court agreed to pay the sum of £50.

25th July 1899 LLC 37

Read a letter from Mr Hunt of 24th inst. stating that the new manager Mr Willis had arrived.

Mr R Lee stated that £895 will be required on the 2nd August for wages &c. Also that Robert Coatsworth had sent in a claim for £2 16s for 2 sheep lost at Coldbury and enquires if this has to be paid.

The Court agree to pay the sum of £2 16s if it is accepted in full for all claims against the Company to the present time but not otherwise.

1st August 1899 LLC 37

Received a letter from Messrs Watson, stating that R Raisbeck declines to take less than £60 as compensation for the injury to his eye, which sum the Court agreed to pay, this injury incurred while working in Wiregill mine.

10th August 1899 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £15 ton at Newcastle.

Read two letters from Mr Willis of 7th & 8th inst. recommending by that a Hydraulic Cylinder and Drum be erected at Wiregill mine at a cost of £110 15s for lifting the Bouse, which he estimates, would save 3/- per shift on 3,400 shifts or £510. He also suggests the erection of Dressing machinery for the waste heaps at Lodge Syke at a cost of £55. He also enquires what Mr. Herdman is to do now that the work at Coldbury is finished.

15th August 1899 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 50 tons soft lead at £15 ton at Newcastle.

Sold R Fell & Son 100 tons soft lead at £15 5s ton at Skipton.

Sold Hanson Dale & Co 50 tons soft lead at £15 15s ton at Huddersfield.

Read a letter from Messrs Watson of 11th inst enclosing one from Messrs Barron Smith of 190th inst stating that they cannot advise their client (J S Watson) to dispute the items deducted for boys wages as being proper deductions and subject to verification of amount of deductions they suggest an allowance to Watson of 10s 6d but as dated in Messrs Watsons letter they have since named 10s 5d which it is suggested the Company agree to.

Messrs Watson were instructed to settle on either basis, securing costs.

Mr Willis stated that he cannot vouch for the accuracy of the estimate of 3,400 shifts to be raised at Wiregill the estimates being based upon the work drawn from the Upper Level.

22nd August 1899 LLC 37

The proposed plan for preparing machinery to work the waste heaps at Lodge Syke an estimate for which has been submitted of £55 10s 0d including labour, be carried out.

The Court also adopt Mr Willis suggestion in regard to machinery for drawing at Low Level Wiregill the estimate for which is £110 15s 0d.

Read a special report from Mr Willis of 21st inst. on the proposed reductions and re-arrangements of staff and boys at the Wiregill and Little Egglestone dressing floors which the Court adopt.

Enquiry is to be made as to the probable expense of making the proposed trial at Hill End near High Bishop Farm, suggested in the mine report of 14th inst.

5th September 1899 LLC 37

Mr. Willis suggested that the Boiler at Lady's Rake be repaired and the engine formerly at Egglestone Saw mill be removed from their owing to the action of mill gases thereon. Both suggestions were approved.

19th September 1899 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 2066 oz of fine silver at 2/53/8 an oz, they paid the company £253 1s 4d. £745 will be required on the 27th inst. for wages &c.

26th September 1899 LLC 37

Sold Locke Blackett & Co 50 tons soft lead at £16 ton at Gateshead.

3rd October 1899 LLC 37

Sold Hanson Dale & Co 100 tons soft lead at £16 10s ton at Huddersfield.

10th October 1899 LLC 37

Affixed the Company seal to the agreement to pay John S Watson the sum of 10/5d per week from the 27th December last for the permanent injury (*loss of a hand*) sustained whilst working in the mines on the 13th December 1898.

17th October 1899 LLC 37

Sold R Fell & Son 75 tons soft lead at £17 ton at Skipton.
The washer boys at Little Egglehope and Wiregill have gone on strike.
Mr R Lee stated that £790 will be required on the 25th inst for wages &c

24th October 1899 LLC 37

Sold William Douglas & Co 25 tons soft lead at £17 ton at Newcastle.

31st October 1899 LLC 37

Sold Johnson Mathey 4330 oz of fine silver at 2/53/4 an oz, they paid the company £536 9s 6d.
Sold R Fell & Son 45 tons soft lead at £18 ton at Skipton.

10th November 1899 LLC 37

The Deputation laid before the Court the report of their visit to the works, which was read, and instructions given to close the Baths & Workhouses and to give a months notice to the caretaker. Mr J. M. Pinkney is to be given 3 months notice to leave the Company's service and Mr Joseph French will leave immediately but will receive full pay up to the end of the year and will be allowed a free house during the pleasure of the Court.

14th November 1899 LLC 37

Read a letter from the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company of 10th inst. inviting tender for about 1,000 tons of Nenthead lead ore for the year 1900.
Read a letter from Mr R Lee of the 13th inst stating that £735 will be required for wages &c. on 22nd instant.

21st November 1899 LLC 37

The following cheques were signed
£735 0s 0d to Northern Account for wages &c.
£ 96 13s 4d to the Ecclesiastical Commission for "Dead Rent"
£ 5 6s 9d to Messrs Thomas Bell & Sons for store
£ 25 16s 2d to Mr Henry Down for stores
£862 16s 3d

Read a letter from Mr F M Pinkney of the 15th instant asking the Court to allow his engagement with the Company to terminate in April instead of in February, which was granted.

The Minute Books end here

11th October 1901. London Gazette

Lead Office.

9, Martin's Lane, Cannon Street,

London, E.C., October 8, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an Extraordinary General Court of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal will be held at the Company's office, 9, Martin's-lane, Cannon street, in the city of London, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of October, 1901, at one o'clock in the afternoon precisely, for the purpose of considering the position as to the various mining and other properties held by the Company under leases, and passing such resolutions in regard thereto as may then be determined on.

By order,

JOHN ELLIOTT, Secretary.

11th July 1902. London Gazette

Lead Office, 9, Martin's-Lane, Cannon-Street,

London, E.C., 8th July 1902. NOTICE is hereby given, that a General Court of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting Down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal, will be held at the Company's Office, 9, Martin's lane,

Cannon street, in the city of London, on Tuesday, the 29th day of July instant, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon precisely, being a half-yearly General Court, to receive the accounts for the last half-year; as also to consider the question of realizing the property and assets of the Company, and passing such resolutions in regard thereto as may then be determined on. The Transfer Book will be closed from the 23rd to 29th instant, inclusive. By order,

JOHN ELLIOTT, Secretary.

21st August 1903. London Gazette

LEAD OFFICE,

9, Martin's lane, Cannon street, London, E.C.

18th August, 1903.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Special General Court of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting Down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal, will be held at the Office of the Corporation, 9, Martin's lane, Cannon street, in the city of London, on Tuesday, the 8th day of September, 1903, at one o'clock in the afternoon precisely, to take into consideration a recommendation that will then be presented by the Court of

Assistants in regard to returns to the proprietors on account of capital as the result of realizations of the property and assets of the Corporation under the resolution of the General Court of the Corporation, held on the 29th day of July, 1902, and passing such resolutions in regard thereto as may then be determined on, and, if agreed to, a resolution which will then be submitted for carrying out and giving effect to the recommendation aforesaid.

By order of the Court of Assistants,

JOHN ELLIOTT, Secretary.

29th January 1904. London Gazette

LEAD OFFICE, January 19th 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that a General Court of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal, will be held at the Company's Office, 9, Martin's lane, Cannon street, London, on Tuesday, the 16th February next, at one o'clock in the afternoon precisely, being a half-yearly General Court to receive an account of the progress made in the realization of the Company's assets.

The Transfer Book will be closed from the 10th to the 16th February, inclusive.

By order of the Court of Assistants,

JOHN ELLIOTT, Secretary.

28th June 1904. London Gazette

Re LEAD COMPANY'S WORKMEN'S FUND SOCIETY.

"PURSUANT to a Judgment dated 9th May, 1904, of the High Court of Justice, Chancery Division, made in the matter of the trusts of the trust funds of the Lead Company's Workmen's Fund Society, and in an action Lowes and another against the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal and others, 1904, L. No. 429, whereby the Court declared that the affairs of the Society ought, as from the 1st May, 1904 to be wound up, and that the rights of all parties beneficially interested in the trust funds of the said Society ought to be ascertained, and such funds distributed by and under the direction of the Court, and whereby it was ordered that a scheme for the division of the said trust funds among the parties beneficially interested therein be settled by the Judge, and pursuant to an Order dated 11th June, 1904, whereby the Judge dispensed with service of notice of the said Judgment upon the members of the said Society who were not parties to the action, and instead thereof ordered that advertisements be published once in the London Gazette, once in the Times, and twice each in Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper, the Penrith Observer, the Teesdale Mercury, the Darlington and Stockton Times, and the North Star (published at Darlington), giving notice of the said Judgment and of the proposed scheme for the division of the trust moneys and of the date when the same would be settled, and that a copy of the said Judgment and of the proposed scheme be sent by post, prepaid, to all such members whose addresses were known to the plaintiffs Solicitors: Notice is hereby given, that the Judge has directed that the scheme of distribution of the Society's funds shall be settled upon the principal of return to the Members of the Society as existing on the 1st May, 1904, of their contributions, including fines on admission, but irrespective of fines or payments in respect of sick pay or weekly allowances or other benefits, and without interest. And notice is hereby also given, that the scheme for the division of the trust funds among the parties beneficially interested therein will be settled in accordance with such direction, and that Wednesday, the 27th day of July, 1904, at 2 of the o'clock in the afternoon, at the chambers of Mr. Justice Buckley and Mr. Justice Warrington, at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London, is appointed for the settlement of the said scheme.

RICHD. WHITE, Master.

27th January 1905. London Gazette

LEAD OFFICE, January 24th, 1905.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a General Court of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal, will be held at the Company's Office, 9, Martin's lane, Cannon street, London, on Tuesday, the 14th February next, at one o'clock in the afternoon precisely, being a half-yearly General Court to receive an account of the progress made in the realization of the Company's assets. The Transfer Book will be closed from the 7th to the 14th February, inclusive. By order of the Court of Assistants,
JOHN ELLIOTT, Secretary.

12th May 1911. London Gazette

LEAD COMPANY'S OFFICE.

28th April 1911. NOTICE is hereby given, that a General Court of the Corporation of the Governor and Company for Smelting Down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal will be hold at the Company's office, 9, Martin's lane, Cannon street, in the city of London, on Tuesday, the 30th day of May, at 12 o'clock at noon precisely, being a final General Court to receive and confirm the accounts and to authorise the Court to deal with the cash and remaining assets, and passing such resolutions in regard thereto as may then be determined on. —By order of the Court.

JOHN ELLIOTT, Secretary

David McAnelly

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